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Forest Legacy Program Synopsis

Program Purpose

The purpose of the Forest Legacy Program (FLP) is to protect environmentally important forest areas that are threatened by conversion to nonforest uses.

Program Description

The Forest Legacy Program is a partnership between participating States and the Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture. These entities work together to identify important forest lands and protect them for future generations.

Conservation easements are the primary tool used to achieve this goal. Priority is given to lands that have important scenic or recreational values; riparian areas; fish and wildlife values, including threatened and endangered species; or other ecological values.

Program Characteristics

- The Forest Legacy Program is entirely voluntary. It operates only in States that have elected to join the program.
- The program helps States and regions identify important forest areas. Lands targeted for protection must fall within designated Forest Legacy Areas.
- State and local partners select priority tracts in cooperation with the Forest Service.
- The program is based on a "willing seller and willing buyer" concept.
- When conservation easements are used, the land remains privately owned.
- Other protection tools include full-fee purchase, voluntary deed restrictions, covenants, and agreements.
- The interests in land may be held by the Federal government or by the State or a unit of local government if the State chooses to select the State Grant Option as authorized by the 1996 Farm Bill.
- When the Federal government holds the easement, State or local units of government agree to administer the lands or interests in lands.
- The lands and interests are held in perpetuity. In the case of interests in land, there is no loss of the Federal investment resulting from change of ownership.
- Forest Stewardship Plans that meet the landowner's objectives for natural resource management are prepared on all privately owned tracts.
- The tracts acquired can remain "working forests" and can forever provide forest resources to meet the needs of the local community and the Nation.

Forest Legacy Program of Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry

This report outlines program activity and accomplishments in the 20 States served by Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry (NA S&PF), a unit of the Forest Service, in Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 (October 1, 2008–September 30, 2009).

- All 20 States served by NA S&PF have voluntarily joined the Forest Legacy Program.
- In FY 2009, accomplishments occurred in 12 of the States served by NA S&PF, where a total of 133,053 acres was protected from conversion to nonforest uses. NA S&PF's cumulative FLP accomplishments total 1,313,671 acres on 339 tracts through September 30, 2009. The total Federal investment of $198,626,000 in the States served by NA S&PF has protected forests valued at $427,447,000 through conservation easements and fee acquisitions since 1993.
- The national appropriations for the Forest Legacy Program and NA S&PF's share over the past 5 years are as follows:

Year	National FLP Appropriations	NA S&PF FLP Share
2006	$56,538,000	$27,210,000
2007	$56,563,000	$20,719,000
2008	$52,316,000	$23,277,000
2009	$49,445,000	$31,235,000
2010	$76,460,000	$28,565,000

Properties considered for inclusion in the Forest Legacy Program must be located within a State's designated Forest Legacy Area (shaded as dark areas on the map).

Partner Roles

The Federal Role

The significance of the public benefits of a particular forest ranges from local to national in scope. Larger forests tend to be nationally significant because as forest size decreases, the values they provide diminish. Extensive forest areas are often subject to the additional challenge of multiple ownerships and numerous political jurisdictions. Through the FLP, the Federal government helps State and local governments look beyond their political boundaries to identify important forest areas. The Federal government provides oversight, and financial and technical assistance to help protect important forests.

The State Role

States integrate partner resources to cooperatively protect and maintain a forest land base. The lead agency, usually the State forestry agency, carries out the FLP in the State. Responsibilities include the following:

- Collecting information to identify and delineate important forest areas that may be selected as Forest Legacy Areas.
- Consulting with the State Forest Stewardship Coordinating Committee to achieve program purposes.
- Addressing land protection and forest management issues.
- Conducting land acquisition activities.
- Integrating policies and incentives to conserve a forest land base.
- Holding and administering the lands or interests in land that enter the FLP.
- Monitoring tracts for program compliance.

The State Forest Stewardship Coordinating Committee Role

The State Forest Stewardship Coordinating Committee's role is identified in the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act. The committee acts as a consultant and makes recommendations. Its duties for the FLP, identified in the act and FLP guidelines, include:

- Establishing eligibility criteria and recommending Forest Legacy Areas in the Assessment of Need process.
- Prioritizing lands for inclusion in the FLP.
- Advising the State lead agency to achieve FLP objectives.

The Nongovernmental Organization (Land Trust) Role

Nongovernmental organizations, specifically land trusts or similar organizations, have a distinct relationship with the FLP. Because of their compatible interest in protecting land for conservation purposes, land trusts can be a primary contact with landowners to negotiate the purchase of conservation easements and to monitor the conservation easements once they are enrolled in the FLP. Lands acquired by or donated to land trusts may be counted toward the non-Federal cost-share amount of total program costs, provided the interests in lands contribute to the goals of the Forest Legacy Program and the lands are located within a Forest Legacy Area.

The Landowner Role

Landowner participation in the FLP is voluntary. A landowner joins the program either by conveying interests in lands to achieve the conservation objectives of the FLP or by purchasing or inheriting land that has already been committed to an FLP conservation easement. The landowner becomes a primary practitioner in maintaining the forest land base by implementing management activities guided by a Forest Stewardship Plan to conserve the values for which the land entered the program.

Federal, State, local, and nonprofit partners that are critical to ensuring the successful completion of Forest Legacy projects gather in Pennsylvania.

Forest Legacy

Start
The Forest Legacy Project Quest
The mineral estate is severed from the surface
Go Back to Start
State Forest Stewardship Coordinating Committee (SFSCC)
Roll 6 to Move Ahead
Legal Counsel
Roll 6 to Move Ahead
Appraisal review process
Roll 6 to Move Ahead
Landowner changes mind on conveying public access in the conservation easement
Go to SFSCC
Project Forest Stewardship Plan is signed by the landowner and the State Forester
Move Ahead 2 Spaces
Did not use construction grant forms
Go to Grants Administration
Baseline documentation report is complete
Move Ahead 2 Spaces
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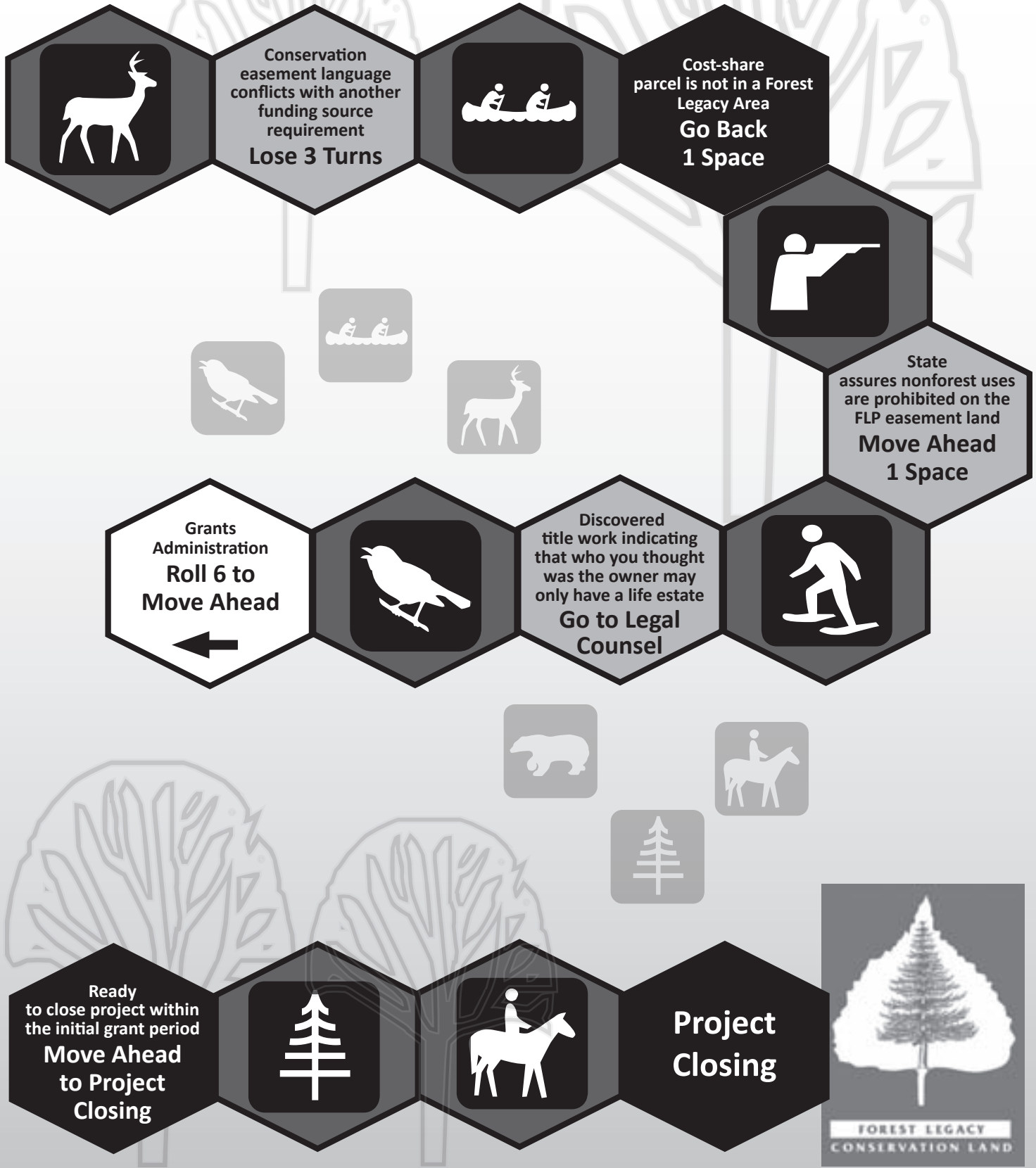
Project Quest


Conservation easement language conflicts with another funding source requirement
Lose 3 Turns
Cost-share parcel is not in a Forest Legacy Area
Go Back 1 Space
State assures nonforest uses are prohibited on the FLP easement land
Move Ahead 1 Space
Discovered title work indicating that who you thought was the owner may only have a life estate
Go to Legal Counsel
Grants Administration
Roll 6 to Move Ahead
Ready to close project within the initial grant period
Move Ahead to Project Closing
Project Closing
FOREST LEGACY
CONSERVATION LAND

Forest Legacy Project Quest Explanations

CARD #1: The mineral estate is severed from the surface estate.

Title work for your FLP project reveals that the mineral rights are held by a third party. The third party is not subject to the conservation easement terms and can access the minerals through surface disturbance. If the exercise of those rights via surface disturbance would adversely impact the conservation values to be protected by the acquisition, then the project may not be eligible for FLP funding. For the project to be eligible, a minerals determination must reveal that the chance of the minerals being exploited is so remote as to be negligible.

CARD #2: Another project funding source objects to FLP language in the draft conservation easement.

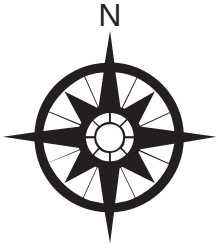
Funding is provided to achieve objectives. For example, funding source A prohibits timber harvesting, but the State FLP requires timber management opportunities be available to subsequent landowners. If both funding sources are used to finance a tract of land, one of the funding sources may have to be turned away. Understand the requirements of all funding sources when seeking multiple sources of funding.

CARD #3: The parcel identified as cost-share is not in a Forest Legacy Area.

To be eligible to enter the FLP, a parcel must be located in a Forest Legacy Area, whether it is a cost-share parcel or funded with FLP funds. The 2003 implementation guidelines state that a Forest Legacy Area is a geographic area with important forest and environmental values that satisfies identified Eligibility Criteria and has been delineated, described, and mapped in a State's Assessment of Need for the FLP. Acquisition of lands and interests in lands for the FLP can only occur within approved Forest Legacy Areas.

CARD #4: Nonforest uses are prohibited on the FLP easement land.

The purpose of the Forest Legacy Program is to protect important forest lands threatened by conversion to nonforest use. Thus, the FLP keeps forests from converting to non-forest uses by prohibiting uses that cause extensive surface disturbance such as residential subdivisions, commercial development, and mining. However, the FLP recognizes that there are land uses that are compatible with protection of working forest lands, such as pasture and wetlands, which are allowed on a portion of the FLP easement area.



CARD #5: Title work suggests that who you thought was the owner may only have a life estate.

Life estate is an estate with a duration that is measured by the remaining life of a specific person. The life estate holder may not be the owner of the land, and hence would not hold the rights with the ability to grant them. However, it may turn out that the holder of the life estate and the landowner are the same person.

CARD #6: State Forest Stewardship Coordinating Committee.

State Forest Stewardship Coordination Committees (SFSCC) are defined and their duties described in the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act (16 USC 2113). The SFSCC involvement in the FLP is to make recommendations to the State lead agency regarding the AON, AON amendments, and the determination of project priorities. Owing to the changing nature of land acquisition projects, the SFSCC must approve of a change in the project to assure that they would have maintained the project priority with the proposed different configuration.

CARD #7: The appraisal does not meet requirements of the "yellow book."

The law that created the Forest Legacy Program states: "Payments under this section shall be in accordance with Federal appraisal and acquisition standards and procedures." Studies have shown that having a pre-work meeting and clarifying the appraisal problem and appraisal directions prior to beginning the appraisal saves time, as much as 2 years.

CARD #8: The Forest Stewardship Plan for the project is signed by the landowner and the State Forester.

The Forest Legacy Program Implementation Guidelines state: "Landowner participation in the program is voluntary and consists of:

1. Preparation and periodic updates of a Forest Stewardship Plan or a multi-resource management plan. **The landowner and the State Forester or designee must approve the plan prior to signing the acquisition of the easement**. The plan shall include provisions to meet land conservation objectives of the FLP. The plan shall be kept current and updated as needed. Modifications of the plan must be agreed to by the State lead agency."

CARD #9: Grants Construction Forms.

The term "construction grant" may be confusing because construction is generally not allowed on land to be entered into the FLP. However, a grant awarded for the acquisition of lands or interests in lands requires the use of construction grant forms. The SF-424 D application for Federal Assistance includes certification that the applicant:

"Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title, or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal interest in the title of real property in accordance with awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure nondiscrimination during the useful life of the project."

This critical assurance on the part of the State cements the partnership between the State and the Forest Service in protecting important forest areas from conversion to nonforest uses in perpetuity.

CARD #10: The baseline documentation report is complete.

The FLP Project grant narrative states: "In acquiring lands and interest in land, the State shall ensure that baseline documentation is conducted for each conservation easement tract and depicts the attributes of land on the day it is restricted by a conservation easement." Baseline documentation is the foundation of effective monitoring of the conservation easement.

CARD #11: The project closes within the initial grant period.

Acquisition must occur within the life of the grant. The initial grant period is 2 years. The grant can be extended if circumstances warrant and the Area Director is convinced that there were bona fide obstacles to completing the activity within the initial grant period. This should be viewed as an exception to the rule.

Forest Legacy Projects Completed During FY 2009

In FY 2009, accomplishments occurred in 12 of the States served by Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry (NA S&PF), where a total of 133,053 acres was protected from conversion to nonforest uses. NA S&PF's cumulative FLP accomplishments since 1993 total 1,313,671 acres on 339 tracts through September 30, 2009. The total Federal FLP investment of $198,626,000 in the States served by NA S&PF has protected forests valued at $427,447,000 through conservation easements and fee acquisitions.

FY 2009 accomplishments of the Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry Forest Legacy Program, including projects in the States of Connecticut, Indiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Wisconsin, are highlighted on the following pages.

Skiff Mountain – Connecticut
Six properties owned by six different landowners totaling 705 acres on Skiff Mountain in the northwest Connecticut towns of Kent and Sharon are now protected through conservation easements funded by the FLP. The conservation easements are held by the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). The culmination of this project, shepherded by The Trust for Public Land and the DEP, occurred with the closing on the last property on August 21, 2009, and the release of the FLP funds on September 2, 2009. The six conservation easements, valued at $8,445,000, were purchased with $1,733,000 in FLP funds. The significant non-Federal cost share was made up by the generosity of the landowners through bargain sales.

Six properties in northwest Connecticut will continue to remain forested and provide wildlife habitat.
Photo by Larry Rousseau

The forests of the Wallow Hollow tract will remain forested and provide a bridge of protected forest between larger tracts of protected lands.
Photo by Brenda Huter

Land Bridge – Indiana
Indiana completed the Wallow Hollow tract, the first tract in Indiana's Land Bridge FLP Project, on June 11, 2009. This 128-acre conservation easement is a forested span bridging a 969-acre protected forest block of the Hitz-Rhodehamel Woods, 426 acres owned by The Nature Conservancy (TNC), the 543-acre Lilly-Dickey Woods owned by Indiana University, and 323 protected acres of the Youngman Woods Nature Preserve owned by the State of Indiana. The FLP contributed $281,625 toward the purchase of the conservation easement valued at $395,000. Cost share for the project came from a bargain sale by landowner Presnell Plantation LLC, which sold the easement for $49,375 below the appraised value. TNC also contributed $64,000.

Mt. Tea Ridge – Indiana

Located in the Shawnee Hills of central Indiana, about a 1- hour drive south of Indianapolis, the Mt. Tea tract was acquired as an addition to the Yellowwood State Forest. The State of Indiana purchased the Mt. Tea FLP tract from landowner Don Foley. On September 29, 2009, the State of Indiana acquired the 490-acre tract for $1,629,000; the Indiana Heritage Trust contributed $364,000 and the FLP contributed $1,265,000. The steep forested hillsides will be managed by the Indiana Division of Forestry for timber, public recreation, water quality, and wildlife management. The project will also provide permanent habitat for the State-listed threatened timber rattlesnake. Additional cost share for the FLP acquisition was provided through the State's purchase of a 25-acre tract in November 2007 for $73,000 that was added to the Indiana State Forest system.

This trail provides access for recreation on this newly acquired forested tract of the Yellowwood State Forest.
Photo by Brenda Huter

Partridge, Ducktail, and Snowshoe Ponds and the forests of the Amherst tract will remain undeveloped, allowing public recreation and forest management.
Photo by Mac Hunter

Lower Penobscot Forest – Maine

The 4,974-acre Amherst Mountains Community Forest lies on the "Airline" highway between Bangor, Maine, and New Brunswick, Canada. The small mountains and ponds of Amherst are part of the Lower Penobscot Forest region, part of an emerging complex of tens of thousands of acres of conservation lands, working forest easements, national wildlife sanctuaries, and recreational assets. Within an easy commute from Maine's second largest city, Bangor, Amherst's undeveloped ponds and hills have views of Acadia National Park to the south and Baxter State Park to the north. On June 18, 2009, the State of Maine purchased the parcel for $3,200,000 with $2,500,000 from the FLP and $700,000 from the Land for Maine's Future Program. Private donations and other resources covered transactional costs, endowments, and staff time.

Machias River Phase 3 – Maine

The 6,628-acre Wabassus Lake property straddles the Machias River–St. Croix River watershed boundary and strengthens the connections between prior conservation investments in the area that are part of an international landscape extending into New Brunswick, Canada. On September 16, 2009, the State of Maine purchased a working forest conservation easement valued at $1,490,000 from Downeast Lakes Land Trust with $1,390,000 from the FLP. Downeast Lakes Land Trust will manage the property as part of its Farm Cove Community Forest, which extends to the village of Grand Lake Stream and supports not only the timber economy, but also crafters of Grand Lake Canoes, sporting camp and lodge operators, and Registered Maine Guides.

Wabassus Mountain as seen from Wabassus Lake, all part of the Machias River Phase 3 FLP Project.
Photo by Mark Berry, Downeast Lakes Land Trust

The protection of the forest resources on Broad Creek allows for the continuation of forest management activities and access for thousands of camping youth every year. Photo by Neal Bungard

Broad Creek – Maryland

The Broad Creek FLP property is used by more than 25,000 campers every year, yet is home to a number of rare, threatened, and endangered species and unique forest habitats. The property contains a 60-acre old growth hemlock stand that includes the second largest hemlock on record in Maryland. The Broad Creek Memorial Scout Reservation is one of the largest blocks of privately owned forest in Harford County—a 1,629-acre property owned by the Baltimore Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America. The FLP provided $3,255,000 for the appraised value of the conservation easement on August 13, 2009, on 376 acres of the Broad Creek tract. The Harford County Agricultural Preservation Program had earlier acquired a conservation easement on 391 acres of the property that will serve as the non-Federal cost share for the FLP acquisition.

Quabbin Corridor Connection – Massachusetts

The recording of a conservation restriction (CR) on land around Petersham's Davenport Pond on January 30, 2009, marked the successful completion of the Massachusetts FLP Quabbin Corridor Connection Project (QCC). The project protects a total of 1,690 acres over a 9-mile expanse of rolling hills in Phillipston, Petersham, and Barre in north-central Massachusetts. Between June 29, 2006, and January 30, 2009, 18 tracts of the QCC Project were completed through a combination of CRs and fee acquisitions. Most of the tracts or CRs were acquired through bargain sales to make up the majority of the cost share for the project. Project partners included the Mt. Grace Land Conservation Trust, Harvard Forest, and the Massachusetts Audubon Society. The $4,240,000 project was funded in part by $2,710,000 in FLP grants.

Eighteen forested tracts in north-central Massachusetts protect 1,690 acres of important forests and the public values the forests provide from wildlife habitat to recreation opportunities. Photo by Nicholas Holland

The first two acquisitions of this multitract project allow for the continuation of passive, nonmotorized public access while protecting the forest resources. Photo by Cathy Kristofferson

Southern Monadnock Plateau – Massachusetts

The Town of Westminster, located in north-central Massachusetts, acquired conservation restrictions on two separate tracts from one family totaling 123 acres of working forest land; the remaining 303 acres of ownership was protected with a FLP conservation restriction in October 2009. For the two completed tracts the FLP provided $23,290, the Town of Westminster contributed $232,754, and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts provided the remaining $379,756 on June 30, 2009. The protected land is adjacent to the Town's 440-acre Muddy Pond Conservation Area and the State's 2,000-acre High Ridge Wildlife Management Area. The Southern Monadnock Plateau FLP Project is a collaboration of the North County Land Trust, the Town of Westminster, the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation, and the U.S. Forest Service.

Northern Great Lakes Forest 2 – Michigan

Tens of thousands of acres in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan were added to a larger FLP project forest protection effort on September 25, 2009. Other Upper Peninsula lands were protected in a previous FLP conservation easement in 2008. The Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (MDNRE), with assistance from The Nature Conservancy (TNC), acquired a conservation easement on 30,343 forested acres. The MDNRE has worked with TNC and the landowner, Heartwood Forestland Fund IV, to complete this fifth phase of the multiphase deal. The FLP contributed $3,500,000 towards the purchase of the easement and the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund supplied $1,252,722 toward the total value of $4,752,722. The property will remain as a working forest and allow public access to the land for outdoor recreation.

Mitchell Lake is one of the many water resources protected with the conservation of the important forests in the Northern Great Lakes Forest.
Photo by Richard Baumer

The forested streambanks of LaBarque Creek prevent soil erosion and protect water quality for aquatic life and downstream public water supplies.
Missouri Department of Conservation Photo

LaBarque Creek – Missouri

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) purchased in fee the first FLP tract in the State on December 30, 2008. The 154-acre tract is an addition to the 969-acre Young Conservation Area, which is primarily managed for watershed protection and public recreational use by the MDC. The property was acquired from the Wild Canid Survival and Research Center. In a truly collaborative effort, the property, valued at $1,510,180, was acquired from the landowner using $500,000 in FLP funds, with the remainder of the needed funds provided by the Missouri Coalition for the Environment, the Ozark Chapter of the Sierra Club, the Webster Groves Nature Study Society, the American Bottom Conservancy of Illinois, the Missouri Conservation Heritage Foundation, and the Missouri Department of Conservation.

Sparta Mountain South – New Jersey

The entire Sparta Mountain South FLP property provides public access, including access to Warren County's existing well-used trail along the historic Morris Canal Trail, which runs through the tract. In June 2009, the State of New Jersey purchased an 85-acre wooded tract in the Town of Hackettstown with the help of the FLP. Although the forests will be managed by the Division of Parks and Forestry, the overall management of the tract is assigned to the Division of Fish and Wildlife due to its extremely high watershed protection importance. The property contains forested uplands, exceptional value wetlands, and three high-quality streams that feed directly into a New Jersey State fish hatchery. The property was acquired by the New Jersey Green Acres Program and valued at $3,300,000. After all FLP standards were met on August 19, 2009, the FLP reimbursed the State of New Jersey $1,773,000.

A section of the historic Morris Canal Trail runs through the Sparta Mountain South tract, which provides public access to this forested tract. Photo by Neal Bungard

A view of the Catskill Mountains and the New York City Watershed from the Ticeteneyck Mountain FLP Project. Photo by Nancy Stock

Ticeteneyck Mountain – New York

The Ticeteneyck Mountain Project encompasses 448 acres of land in the New York City Watershed, which was established to protect the drinking water supply for millions of New York City residents. On November 25, 2008, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) purchased the property from Chase Highland LLC with help from the FLP. Ticeteneyck Mountain is within the drainage basin of the Ashokan Reservoir in the New York City Watershed. The acquisition of the property by the DEC provides public hiking opportunities to the top of Ticeteneyck Mountain. FLP funds in the amount of $500,000 were released on January 16, 2009, after all FLP standards had been met. In addition to the FLP funds, the DEC provided $1,470,000 in the purchase of the property.

Adirondack Working Forest – New York

In December 2008, New York State purchased a conservation easement on 83,890 acres of forest lands from Domtar Industries, Inc., on the Adirondack Forest Project in northeastern New York. The FLP conservation easement opens more than 47,000 acres of the Adirondack Forest Project to public access for hiking, fishing, hunting, canoeing, and a variety of other recreational uses. The remaining acreage is open for some recreational access such as hiking and snowmobiling on designated trails. The property previously had little to no recreational opportunities for the public. The acquisition of the conservation easement also ensures the sustainable use of forest land for forestry. New York State acquired the easement for $10,068,800 from the State's Environmental Protection Fund. After all FLP standards were met on August 6, 2009, the FLP reimbursed New York State $985,000.

The North Branch of the Saranac River runs through the forests of the Adirondack Working Forest FLP Project in northern New York. Photo by Sean Reynolds

The FLP-protected forests surrounding Tillinghast Pond provide a beautiful natural background view that will remain forested. Photo by Marc Tremblay

Tillinghast Pond – Rhode Island

On December 28, 2008, the State of Rhode Island acquired conservation easements from the Rhode Island Chapter of The Nature Conservancy (TNC) for two parcels totaling 1,033 acres of forest land as part of the Tillinghast Pond Project. These tracts were part of the estate of Phoebe Shepard, who declared in her will that "fully one-half of my estate shall be donated to a charitable organization." TNC acquired these and other parcels from the estate before they were developed. The U.S. Forest Service FLP provided $3,000,000 of the $5,275,000 appraised value of the two tracts. The project came about through a partnership with TNC, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Forest Service, State of Rhode Island, and the Towns of Coventry and West Greenwich.

Brushwood Community Forest – Vermont
The Brushwood Community Forest was officially created as the Town of West Fairlee, Vermont, took ownership of 474 acres of forest land with the help of the FLP. The Trust for Public Land (TPL) had previously acquired three forest tracts from private landowners to hold the properties to allow for completion of the project. The Town of West Fairlee then purchased the properties from the TPL. On January 26, 2009, the forest was permanently protected from development by conservation easements held by the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation. The easements were acquired with $631,000 in FLP funds and will be cost shared with a fee acquisition on a tract that will not use any FLP funds.

Hiking is one of many forest uses allowed on the Brushwood Community Forest Project.
Photo by Jerry and Marcy Monkman/Ecophotography

Wildlife habitat such as this beaver impoundment and surrounding forests will remain on the Anderson parcel of the Green Mountain Wildlife Corridor Project.
Photo by Laura French/Meadowsend Timberlands

Green Mountain Wildlife Corridor – Vermont
Conservation of the Anderson tract in the Green Mountain Wildlife Corridor Project adds yet another important parcel to the forested wildlife corridor protection effort between the south and north units of the Green Mountain National Forest. The 511-acre property was purchased by The Conservation Fund with the intention of conveying it to a private buyer after protecting it with a FLP conservation easement. The easement was purchased on March 30, 2009, by the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation. The parcel is adjacent to Okemo State Forest and in close proximity to several other previously conserved FLP properties. A total of $493,000 in FLP funding was used for the project: $468,421 for acquisition and $24,579 for associated closing costs. Cost share for the acquisition came from The Conservation Fund by way of a $172,000 bargain sale.

Orange County Headwaters – Vermont
A community initiative to conserve property in Orange County was set off on April 14, 2009, when a conservation easement was purchased from Meadowsend Timberlands Ltd. on 1,473 acres. The land, a picturesque valley, and the headwaters of three major river watersheds are safe from development. The easement, held by the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation, will further the sustainable forest management practices currently happening on the property and include pedestrian public access. The easement was acquired with $760,000 in FLP funds with $720,000 used for acquisition and $40,000 for associated closing costs. Match came by way of a $35,000 bargain sale from Meadowsend Timberlands and $277,500 in in-kind purchases by the Vermont Departments of Forests, Parks and Recreation and Fish and Wildlife.

The forests on the Orange County Headwaters FLP Project will remain and continue to provide clean water as part of the headwaters of the Winooski River.
Photo by Neal Bungard

The scenic Chittenden County Uplands will continue to offer spectacular natural views for those that hike to the tops of the Green Mountains and those traveling in the valley on Interstate 89.

Photo by Anne Langevin

Chittenden County Uplands – Vermont

A conservation easement was purchased on a 125-acre property in the Chittenden County Uplands FLP Project located in the Town of Bolton on August 4, 2009. The Jericho Underhill Land Trust that purchased the property at the same time the conservation easement was put in place also owns other properties in the area that are successfully managed for recreational access and educational purposes. The goal for this parcel is to manage it in a similar manner and enhance existing trails on the Preston Pond parcel, which is owned by the Town of Bolton. An abundance of wildlife habitat exists on the property including vernal pools, beaver wetlands, and rich northern hardwood woodlands. Sustainable harvesting of forest products will be an important activity on the property. The easement was purchased with FLP funds for the appraised value of $369,000. Other tracts acquired without FLP funds in the 16-tract Chittenden County Uplands Project are being used as the non-Federal cost share.

Holy Hill – Wisconsin

Three properties at the base of the Carmelite Friars Holy Hill were protected with FLP conservation easements during the 3-month period from October to December 2008. The State of Wisconsin acquired three conservation easements from three different landowners totaling 198 acres. A forest buffer now protects the larger Holy Hill forest from the effects of subdivision development that is occurring nearby. The Holy Hill woods have been nominated by Scenic America as a "last chance landscape" because the woods are one of the largest contiguous forests remaining in southeastern Wisconsin. Holy Hill is not only home to magnificent woodlands but also home to the Basilica of Holy Hill, which attracts 300,000 visitors annually, many of whom take in the breathtaking views and wander the grounds. On February 6, 2009, $1,975,000 of FLP funds were released to Wisconsin after all FLP standards had been met. The project cost share totaling $1,156,000 occurred through landowner donations and funds from Wisconsin's Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Fund.

The Basilica of Holy Hill, as seen from one of the FLP-protected tracts, rises high above the surrounding forested Holy Hill tract in southeastern Wisconsin.

Photo by Neal Bungard

Budget Summary

Appropriations for the National Forest Legacy Program (dollars in thousands) Fiscal Years 2001–2010

FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
59,868	65,000	68,380	64,134	57,134	56,538	56,563	52,317	49,445	76,460

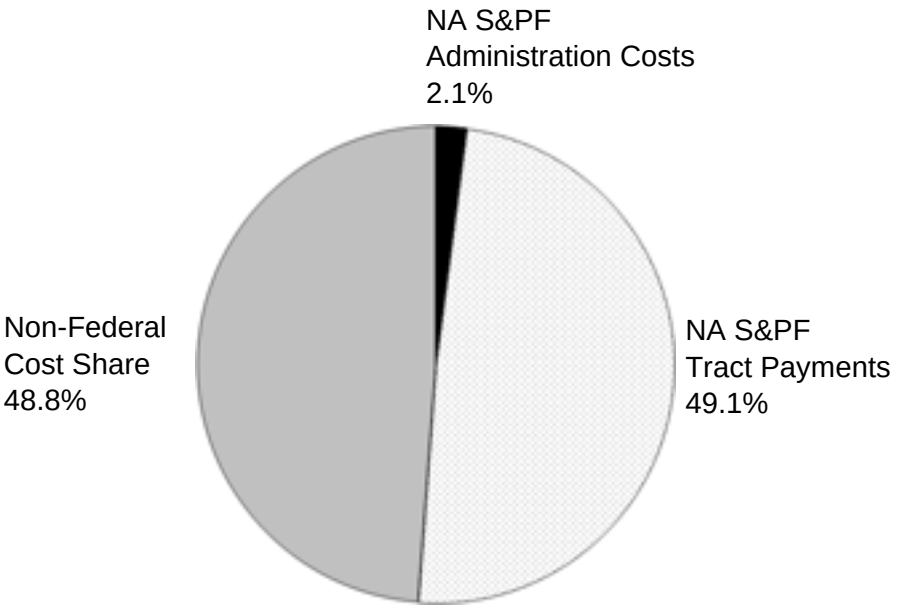
Summary of Completed Forest Legacy Acquisition Tracts in States Served by Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry (4/10/93–9/30/09)

State	Tracts	Acres	Total value	FLP payment
Connecticut	29	8,052	$17,494,000	$6,971,000
Delaware	5	2,032	17,012,000	8,925,000
Illinois	9	493	3,309,000	2,329,000
Indiana	18	7,301	11,084,000	8,712,000
Iowa	11	1,986	2,908,000	1,686,000
Maine	23	671,208	111,024,000	49,072,000
Maryland	9	2,014	7,844,000	4,613,000
Massachusetts	49	6,851	23,185,000	12,592,000
Michigan	6	67,419	10,943,000	5,951,000
Minnesota	23	59,531	21,557,000	5,995,000
Missouri	1	154	1,510,000	500,000
New Hampshire	36	215,104	47,830,000	30,998,000
New Jersey	11	5,498	39,967,000	11,336,000
New York	13	135,820	34,265,000	12,060,000
Ohio	1	436	349,000	262,000
Pennsylvania	3	2,956	6,216,000	3,016,000
Rhode Island	20	3,392	21,080,000	7,058,000
Vermont	48	67,690	22,496,000	15,181,000
West Virginia	1	764	458,000	344,000
Wisconsin	23	54,970	26,916,000	11,025,000
Total	**339**	**1,313,671**	**$427,447,000**	**$198,626,000**

Summary of Funded In-progress Forest Legacy Tracts in States Served by Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry

State	Tracts	Acres	Total value	FLP payment
Connecticut	1	73	$2,830,000	$1,415,000
Delaware	1	876	$8,000,000	$6,000,000
Illinois	1	44	260,000	193,000
Indiana	2	1,308	3,402,000	1,960,000
Iowa	1	1,678	1,753,000	1,315,000
Maine	8	74,822	19,092,000	9,769,000
Massachusetts	31	3,816	10,375,000	7,265,000
Michigan	2	83,932	13,064,000	3,979,000
Minnesota	3	90,133	20,000,000	9,964,000
Missouri	1	429	3,904,000	1,500,000
New Hampshire	7	10,063	13,494,000	8,706,000
New Jersey	3	1,143	14,000,000	7,221,000
New York	1	14,600	16,000,000	2,500,000
Ohio	1	15,849	6,920,000	5,136,000
Pennsylvania	1	2,500	12,675,000	3,500,000
Rhode Island	2	219	1,320,000	1,041,000
Vermont	6	8,214	7,375,000	6,026,000
West Virginia	10	5,604	9,920,000	6,908,000
Wisconsin	4	34,381	16,733,000	8,077,000
Total	**86**	**349,684**	**$181,117,000**	**$92,475,000**

Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry (NA S&PF)
Forest Legacy Program Costs by Federal and Non-Federal Entities



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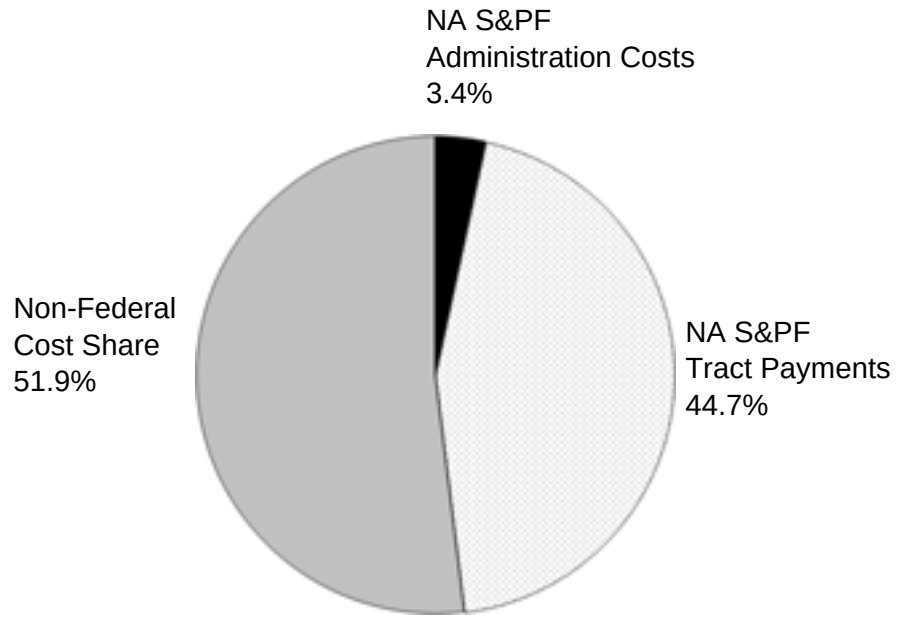

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"*To the extent practicable, the Federal share of the total program costs shall not exceed 75 percent, including any in-kind contribution.*" (16 U.S.C. 2103c Forest Legacy Program)

"*As a goal, all attempts should be made to keep administrative funds under 15 percent of the total funds appropriated.*" (Forest Legacy Program Implementation Guidelines Part 1, X.B.)

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Forest Legacy Program Activity by State

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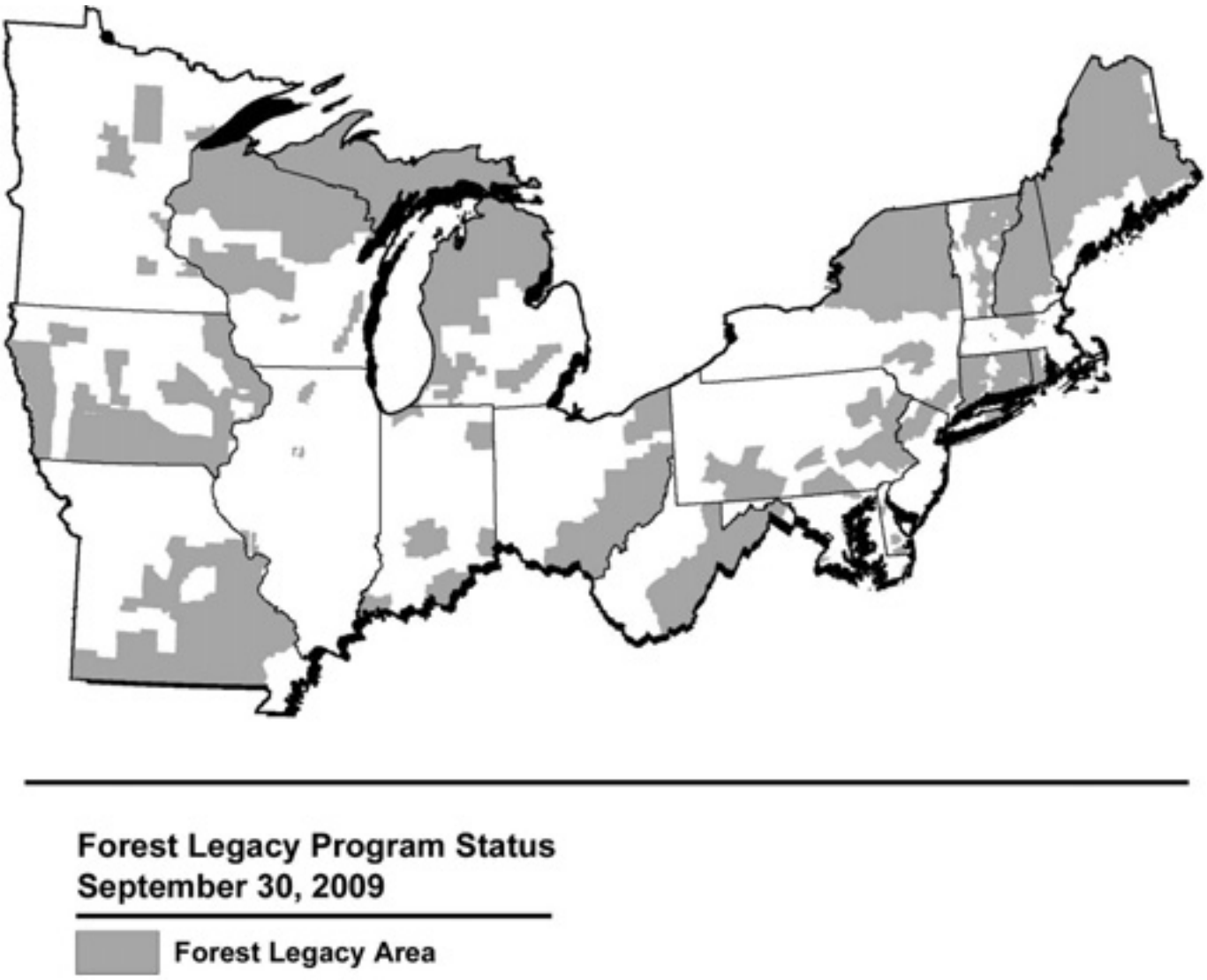
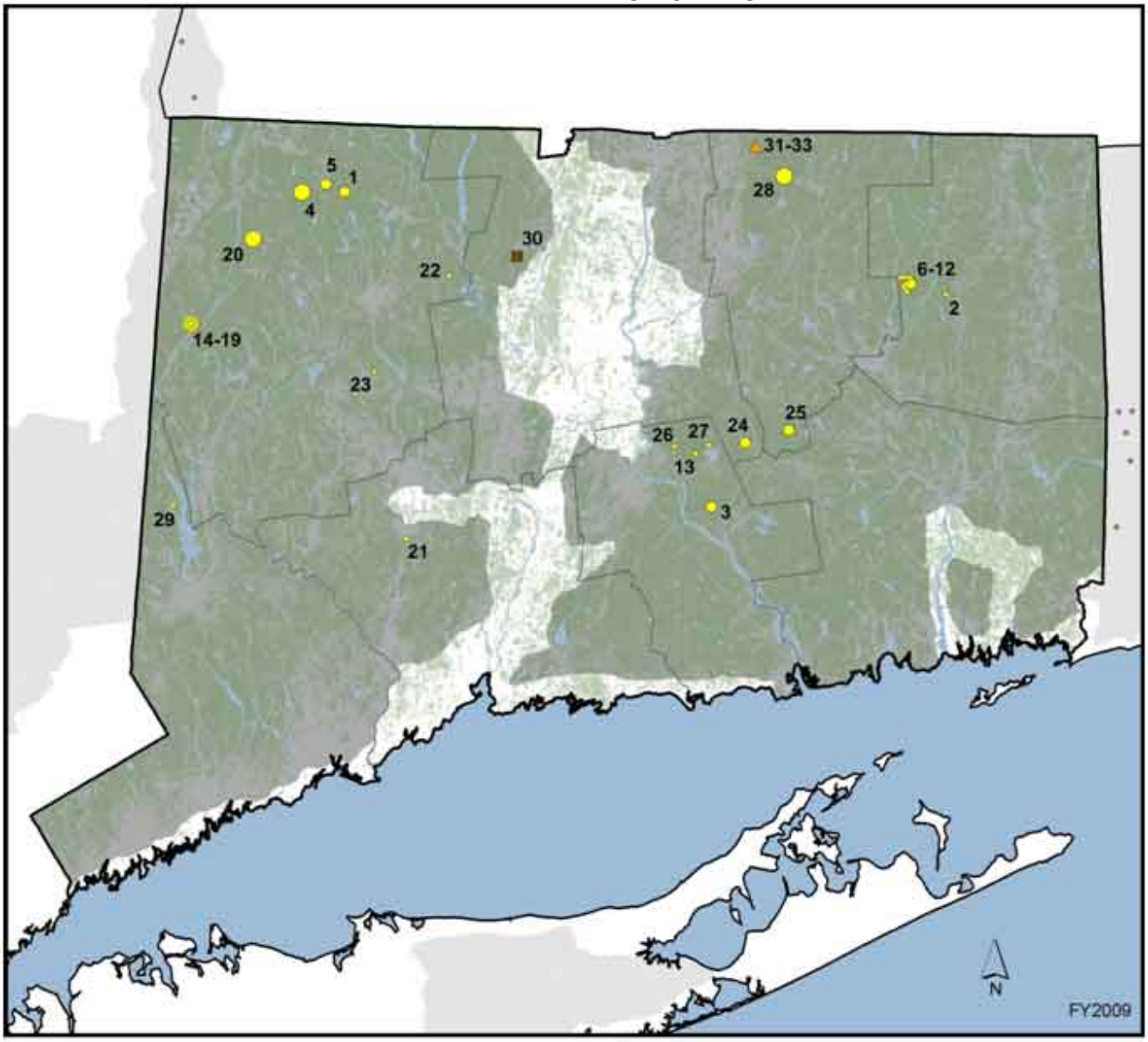


Connecticut Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Protect large blocks of forest land
- Provide opportunities for continuation of traditional forest uses
- Work with existing open space initiatives to achieve maximum resource conservation
- Protect water quality

Assessment of Need approved October 26, 1994
AON amended July 6, 2001

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Connecticut Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 100 acres
- Completed 101 - 200 acres
- Completed over 200 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Connecticut Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Maplewood Farm	Litchfield	172	$210,000	$210,000
2	Pogmore	Windham	53	80,000	80,000
3	Pine Brook	Middlesex	126	100,000	100,000
4–5	Great Mountain Forest 1–2	Litchfield	5,528	5,453,000	4,089,000
6–12	Stonehouse Brook 1–7	Windham	478	795,000	596,000
13	Peaceful Hill	Middlesex	35	217,000	163,000
14–19	Skiff Mountain 1-6	Litchfield	705	8,445,000	1,733,000
20	Housatonic	Litchfield	204	410,000	0
21	Naugatuck	New Haven	27	85,000	0
22	Nepaug	Litchfield	27	45,000	0
23	Mattatuck	Litchfield	55	170,000	0
24	Salmon River	Hartford	158	315,000	0
25–27	Meshomasic 1–3	Tolland and Middlesex	128	260,000	0
28	Shenipsit	Tolland	311	597,000	0
29	Pootatuck	Fairfield	45	312,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**8,052**	**$17,494,000**	**$6,971,000**

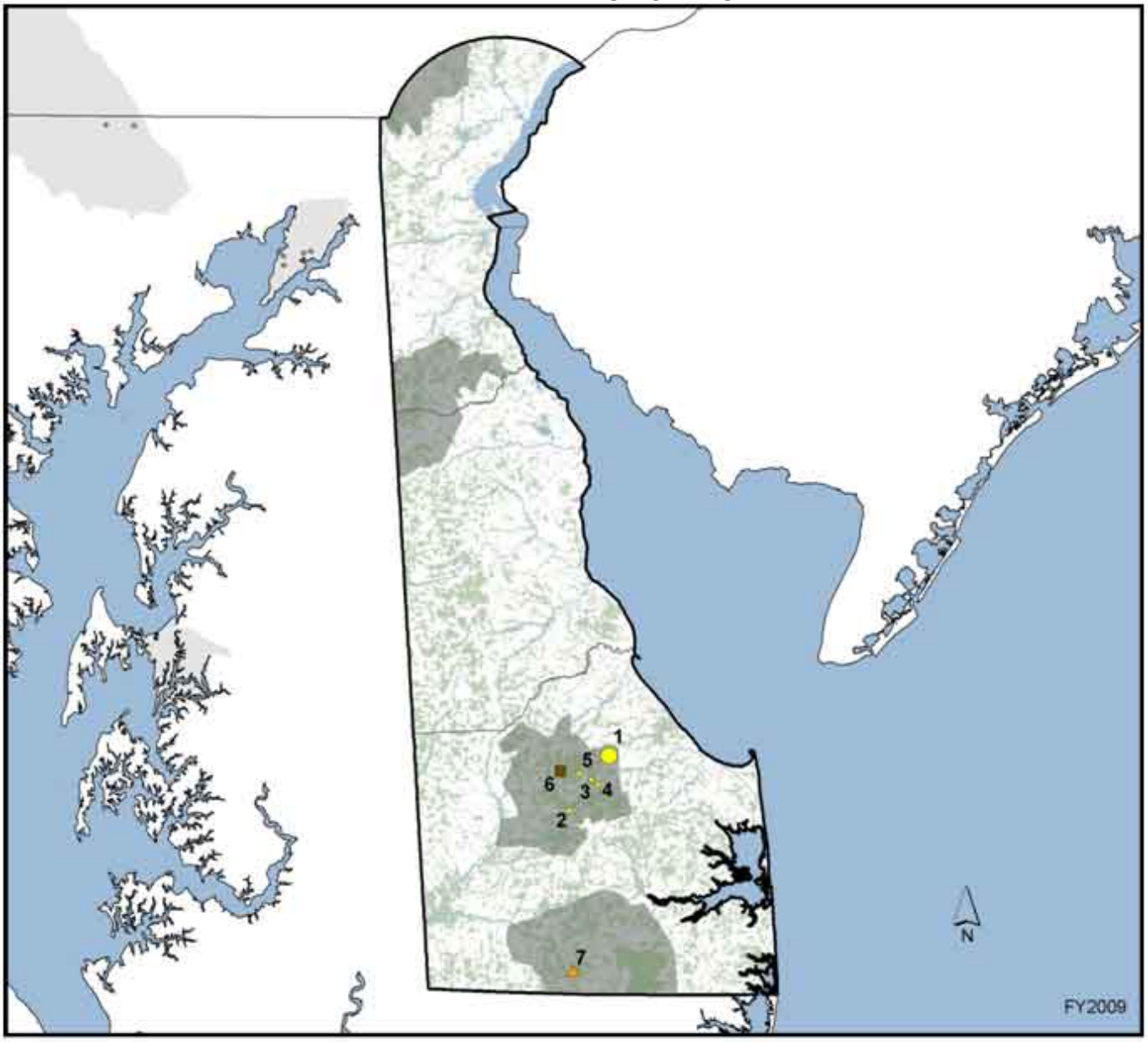
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
30	Tulmeadow Farm	Hartford	73	$2,830,000	$1,415,000
The forested portion of this property is part of a larger 260-acre family farm that has been operated by the same family since 1768. The protection of the forest will complete the conservation effort because the agricultural lands are already protected by a conservation easement.					
Funded Projects Total:			**73**	**$2,830,000**	**$1,415,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
31–33	Scantic River Headwaters 1–3	Tolland	1,100	$4,025,000
The project will link more than 7,000 acres of protected conservation land, preserving productive upland and northern hardwood forests and creating a block of wildlife habitat and hunting and fishing grounds unparalleled in southern New England.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**1,100**	**$4,025,000**

Delaware Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

Assessment of Need approved December 10, 1998
AON amended June 7, 2006

- Identify and protect environmentally important, privately owned forest lands threatened with conversion to nonforest uses
- Reduce forest fragmentation caused by development
- Provide environmental benefits through the restoration and protection of riparian zones, native forest plants and animals, and remnant forest types
- Provide recreational opportunities
- Provide watershed and water supply protection
- Provide employment opportunities and economic stability through the maintenance of traditional forest uses
- Maintain important scenic resources in the State
- Provide linkage between public properties, protected properties, and greenways
- Provide protection of rare, threatened, and endangered species of plants and animals
- Promote forest stewardship
- Provide educational opportunities

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Delaware Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 500 acres
- Completed over 500 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Delaware Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Green Horizons 1	Sussex	908	$4,800,000	$1,994,000
2	Green Horizons 2	Sussex	448	3,030,000	1,975,000
3	Green Horizons 3	Sussex	88	1,500,000	986,000
4	Green Horizons 4	Sussex	240	3,700,000	1,970,000
5	Green Horizons 5	Sussex	348	3,982,000	2,000,000
Completed Projects Total:			**2,032**	**$17,012,000**	**$8,925,000**

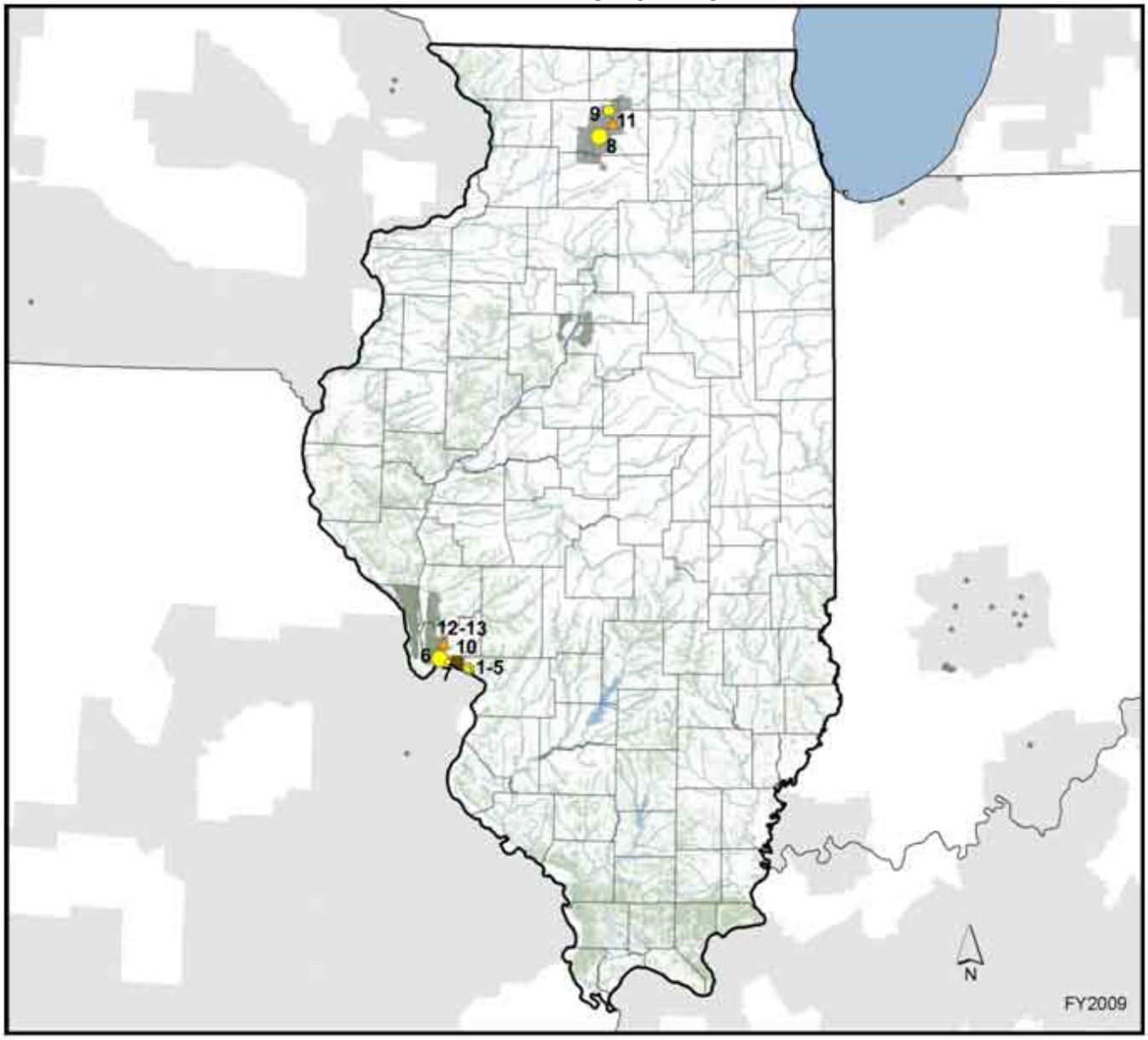
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
6	Green Horizons 6	Sussex	876	$8,000,000	$6,000,000
This additional funding is being used to complete additional phases of the multiyear Green Horizons project, which protects lands around Redden State Forest.					
Funded Projects Total:			**876**	**$8,000,000**	**$6,000,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
7	Chesapeake Headwaters	Sussex	580	$3,000,000
The property helps protect the headwaters of the Pocomoke River and Broad Creek, a tributary of the Nanticoke River and the Chesapeake Bay, and is located in a designated corridor between two blocks of protected lands—Trap Pond State Park and Cypress Swamp Preserve.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**580**	**$3,000,000**

Illinois Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Reduce forest fragmentation
- Restore riparian zones
- Provide public recreational opportunities

Assessment of Need approved November 29, 1994

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Miles

Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Illinois Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 50 acres
- Completed 51 - 75 acres
- Completed over 75 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent NA State

Illinois Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1–3	Oblate Woods 1–3	Madison	143	$716,000	$492,000
4–5	LaVista Woods 1–2	Madison	78	330,000	237,000
6	Rattlesnake Ridge	Jersey	79	102,000	77,000
7	Chautauqua Woods	Jersey	25	156,000	117,000
8	Daysville Forest	Ogle	93	365,000	273,000
9	Byron Rock River	Ogle	75	1,640,000	1,133,000
Completed Projects Total:			**493**	**$3,309,000**	**$2,329,000**

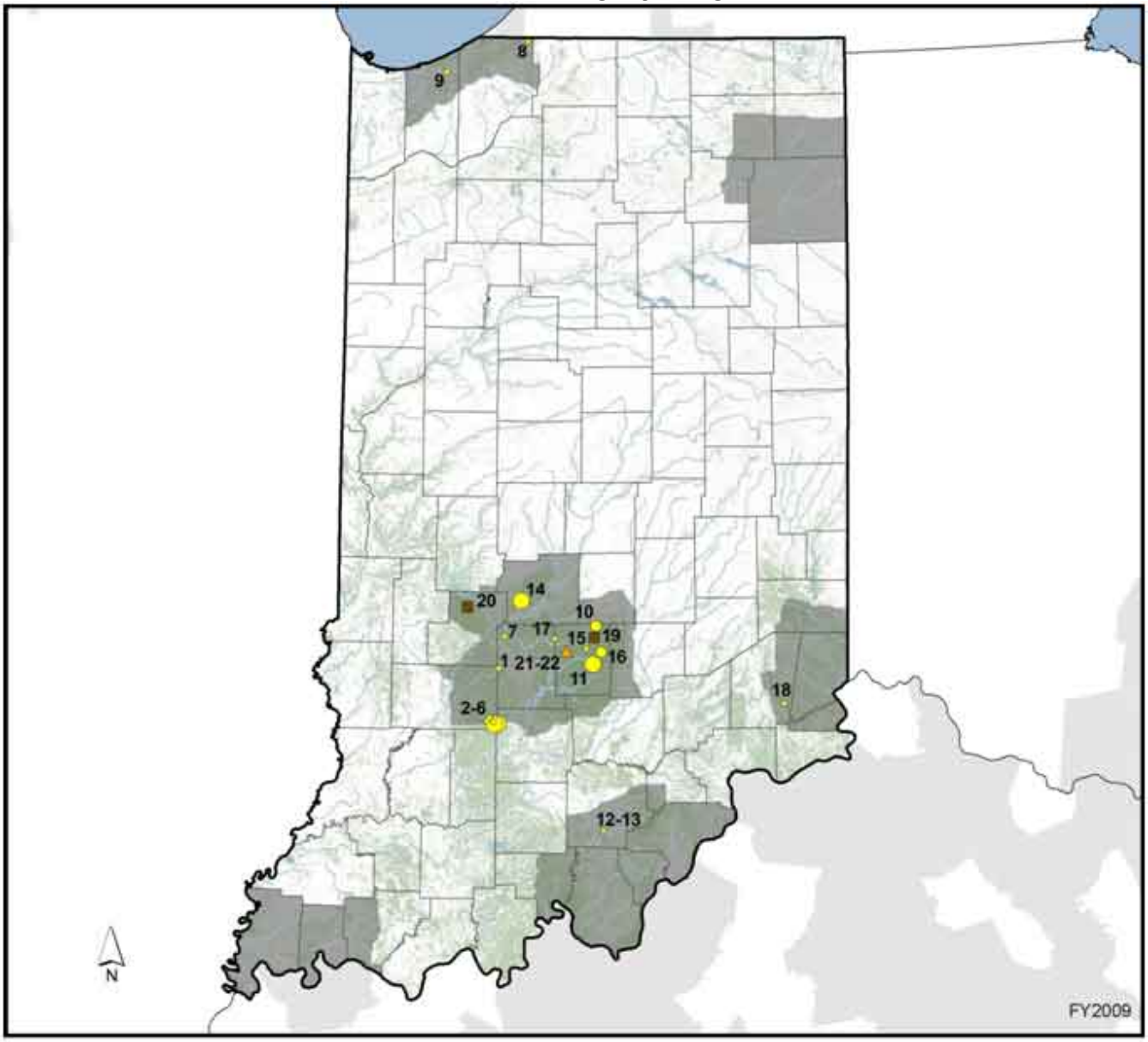
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
10	River Forest	Madison	44	$260,000	$193,000
This project is close to the Oblate Woods and LaVista Woods projects. The proximity of this project to the Mississippi River makes it attractive for development. Heavily wooded tracts on scenic bluffs overlooking the river further contribute to the development threat.					
Funded Projects Total:			**44**	**$260,000**	**$193,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
11	McCormick	Ogle	300	$600,000
This tract will further the goal of protecting forested areas adjacent to the Rock River. Protection will ensure continued natural resource education efforts at the site, as well as protect critical habitat for two State-listed threatened plant species.				
12–13	Pere Marquette 1–2	Jersey	736	3,970,000
These two tracts will continue a longstanding effort to protect thousands of acres of forest habitat in the watersheds of the Mississippi and Illinois Rivers along the bluffs associated with those rivers. The tracts are adjacent to Pere Marquette State Park.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**1,036**	**$4,570,000**

Indiana Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Identify and protect environmentally important privately owned forest lands threatened with conversion to nonforest uses, keeping these forests as parts of the working natural landscape
- Reduce forest fragmentation caused by development and subdivision of important forest lands

Assessment of Need approved December 10, 1998

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Indiana Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 300 acres
- Completed 300 - 800 acres
- Completed over 800 acres
- Funded
- Proposed

Indiana Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Little Richland Creek	Monroe	299	$110,000	$84,000
2–6	Indian Creek 1–5	Greene	2,390	1,954,000	1,428,000
7	Jack's Defeat Creek	Monroe	225	398,000	338,000
8	Rattlesnake Creek	LaPorte	163	145,000	123,000
9	River's Edge	Porter	77	167,000	167,000
10	Hills of Gold	Brown	460	830,000	726,000
11	Gnaw Bone Camp	Brown	1,368	2,425,000	1,824,000
12–13	Big Spring Farm 1–2	Washington	183	233,000	175,000
14	Hurricane Hills	Morgan	1,351	2,600,000	2,300,000
15	Land Bridge 1	Monroe	128	395,000	282,000
16–17	Mt. Tea Ridge 1–2	Brown	515	1,702,000	1,265,000
18	Corning Woods	Ripley	142	125,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**7,301**	**$11,084,000**	**$8,712,000**

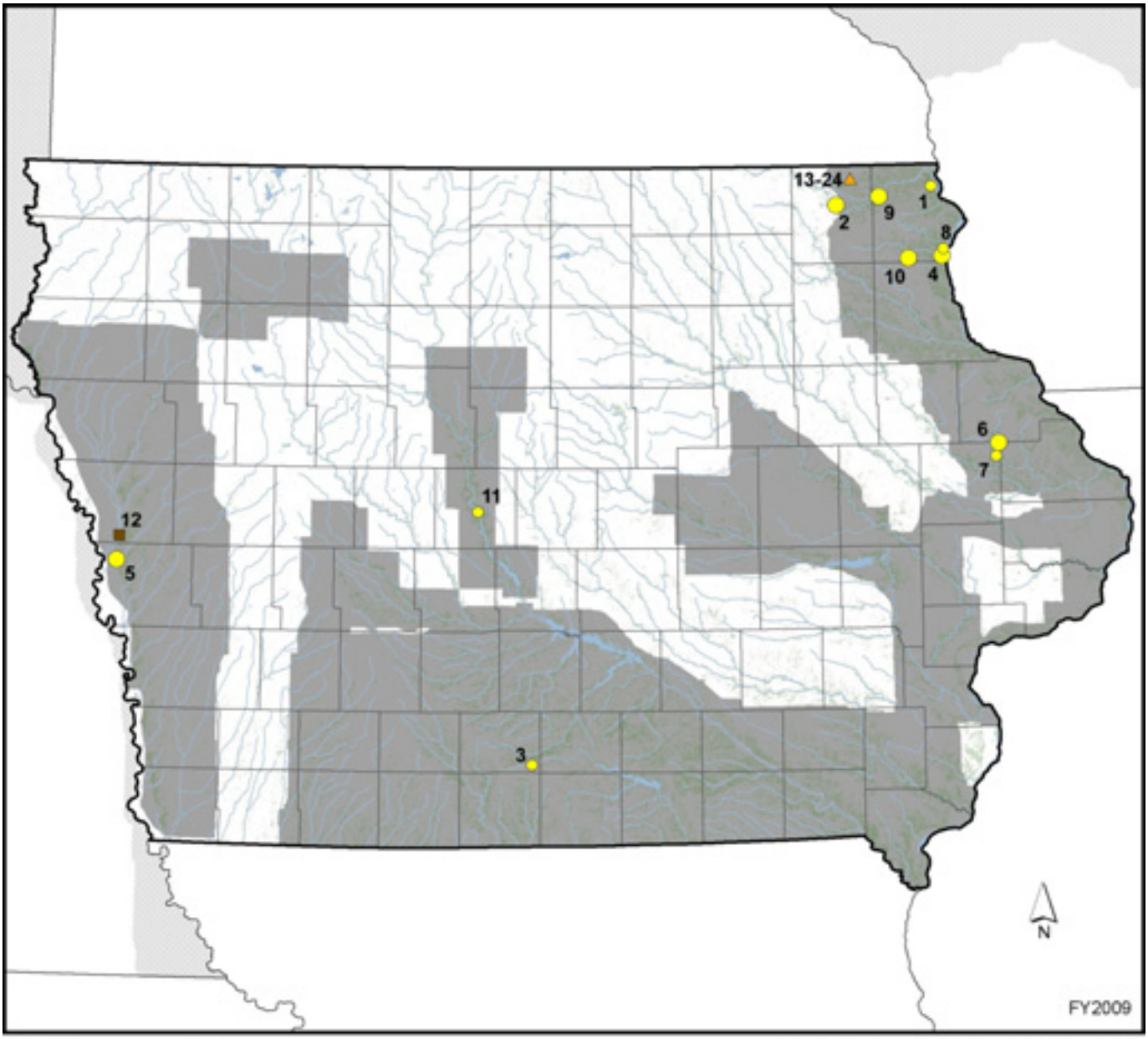
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
19	Land Bridge 2	Brown	158	$402,000	$260,000
This project protects working forests in Indiana's beautiful hill country. The rugged hills with stunning hardwood forests make this region prime real estate for commuters, retirees, and vacation homeowners from Indianapolis.					
20	Luke's Run	Owen	1,150	3,000,000	1,700,000
This block of well-managed central hardwood forests with karst features is an easy 45-mile commute to Indianapolis. It borders the 6,000-acre Owen-Putnam State Forest; nearby are the popular 1,500-acre Cagles Mill Lake and 8,000-acre Lieber State Recreation Area.					
Funded Projects Total:			**1,308**	**$3,402,000**	**$1,960,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
21–22	Discover Woods 1–2	Brown	940	$3,865,000
The project will protect some of the working yet scenic forests that are the backbone of the area's forest- and tourism-based economy while protecting a portion of the watershed of Monroe Lake, a regionally important reservoir that provides drinking water for over 100,000 people.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**940**	**$3,865,000**

Iowa Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Protect environmentally important private forests that are threatened by conversion to nonforest uses, such as conversion to agriculture, gravel pits/mining, and residential or commercial development
- Protect Iowa's publicly owned or permanently protected forested tracts from environmental threats caused by the development of nearby forest areas
- Prevent and reverse the fragmentation and parcelilzation of Iowa's contiguous forests by reconnecting parcels of land and keeping forests in congituous parcels
- Preserve the beauty and public enjoyment of Iowa's forested landscape

Assessment of Need approved March 7, 2002

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Miles

Forested land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Iowa Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 150 acres
- Completed over 150 acres
- Funded
- Proposed

Iowa Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Lansing Big Lake	Allamakee	35	$78,000	$58,000
2	Cold Air Slope	Winneshiek	165	561,000	365,000
3	Stephens Forest	Clarke	60	19,000	4,000
4	Effigy	Allamakee	192	214,000	161,000
5	Loess Hills Forest	Harrison	255	606,000	132,000
6–7	Canyons 1–2	Jones and Dubuque	557	339,000	265,000
8–9	NE Upper Bluffs 1–2	Allamakee	438	684,000	513,000
10	Monona	Allamakee	209	251,000	188,000
11	Saylorville Greenbelt	Boone	75	156,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**1,986**	**$2,908,000**	**$1,686,000**

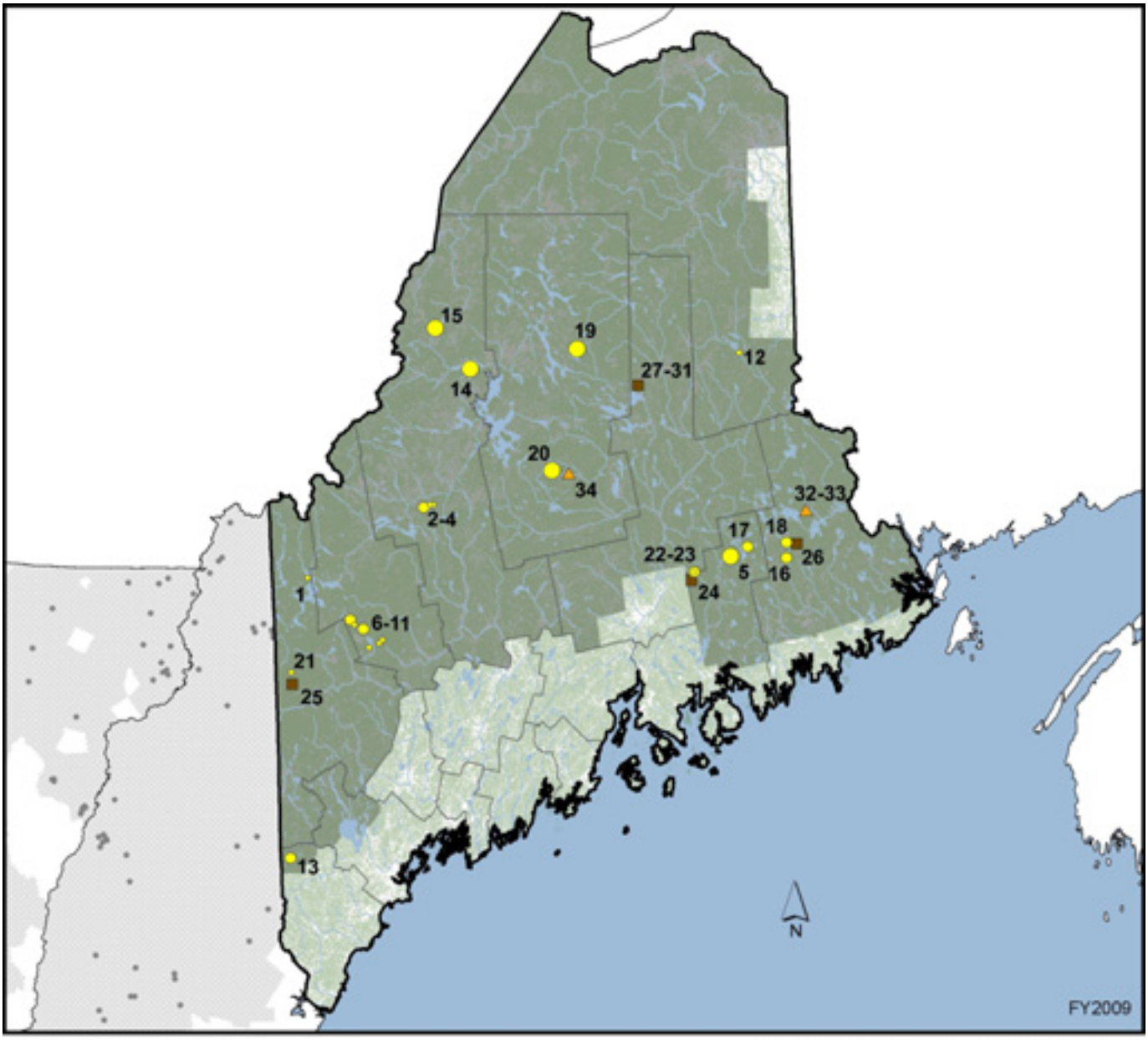
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
12	Preparation Canyon	Monona	1,678	$1,753,000	$1,315,000
Located in the Loess Hills, this project will help protect part of this formation that runs for 200 miles through western Iowa. Loess Hills are windblown soil deposits over 200 feet deep in great rolling drifts above the Missouri River floodplain.					
Funded Projects Total:			**1,678**	**$1,753,000**	**$1,315,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
13–24	Upper Iowa River 1–12	Alamakee and Winnechiek	3,455	$3,700,000
This project will protect valuable forest resources and enhance water quality in the watershed of the State-protected Upper Iowa River, the only river in Iowa eligible for designation as a National Wild and Scenic River. It is also a tributary of the Upper Mississippi Watershed.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**3,455**	**$3,700,000**

Maine Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Prevent the conversion of Maine's forest to nonforest uses, and thereby protect an array of Maine's traditional forest uses. These uses include timber harvesting, public access, and recreational opportunities such as hunting, fishing, and hiking, to name but a few
- Protect a wide range of public values, including, but not limited to, wetlands, significant fish and wildlife habitat, historical or archaeological sites, scenic resources, rare or exemplary natural communities, biodiversity, and sustainable forest management

Assessment of Need approved March 18, 1994
AON updated March 25, 2005

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Maine Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 5,000 acres
- Completed 5,001 - 20,000 acres
- Completed over 20,000 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Maine Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Cupsuptic Lake	Oxford	1,272	$843,000	$843,000
2–4	Pierce Pond 1–3	Somerset	9,858	1,950,000	1,950,000
5	Nicatous Lake	Hancock	20,268	4,500,000	3,000,000
6–11	Mt. Blue/Tumbledown Mtn. 1–6	Franklin	25,776	7,690,000	4,240,000
12	Mattawamkeag	Aroostook	3,338	895,000	500,000
13	Leavitt Plantation	York	8,603	2,735,000	596,000
14–15	West Branch 1–2	Somerset	328,364	36,167,000	19,647,000
16	Machias River 1	Washington	6,316	2,903,000	1,987,000
17	Machias River 2	Washington and Hancock	7,662	7,565,000	1,478,000
18	Machias River 3 Tract 1	Washington	6,628	1,490,000	1,390,000
19	Katahdin Forest	Piscataquis and Penobscot	194,751	23,800,000	4,437,000
20	Katahdin Iron Works	Piscataquis	37,000	9,870,000	4,434,000
21	Grafton	Oxford	3,688	2,850,000	2,000,000
22–23	Lower Penobscot Forest 1–2	Penobscot and Hancock	17,684	7,766,000	2,570,000
Completed Projects Total:			**671,208**	**$111,024,000**	**$49,072,000**

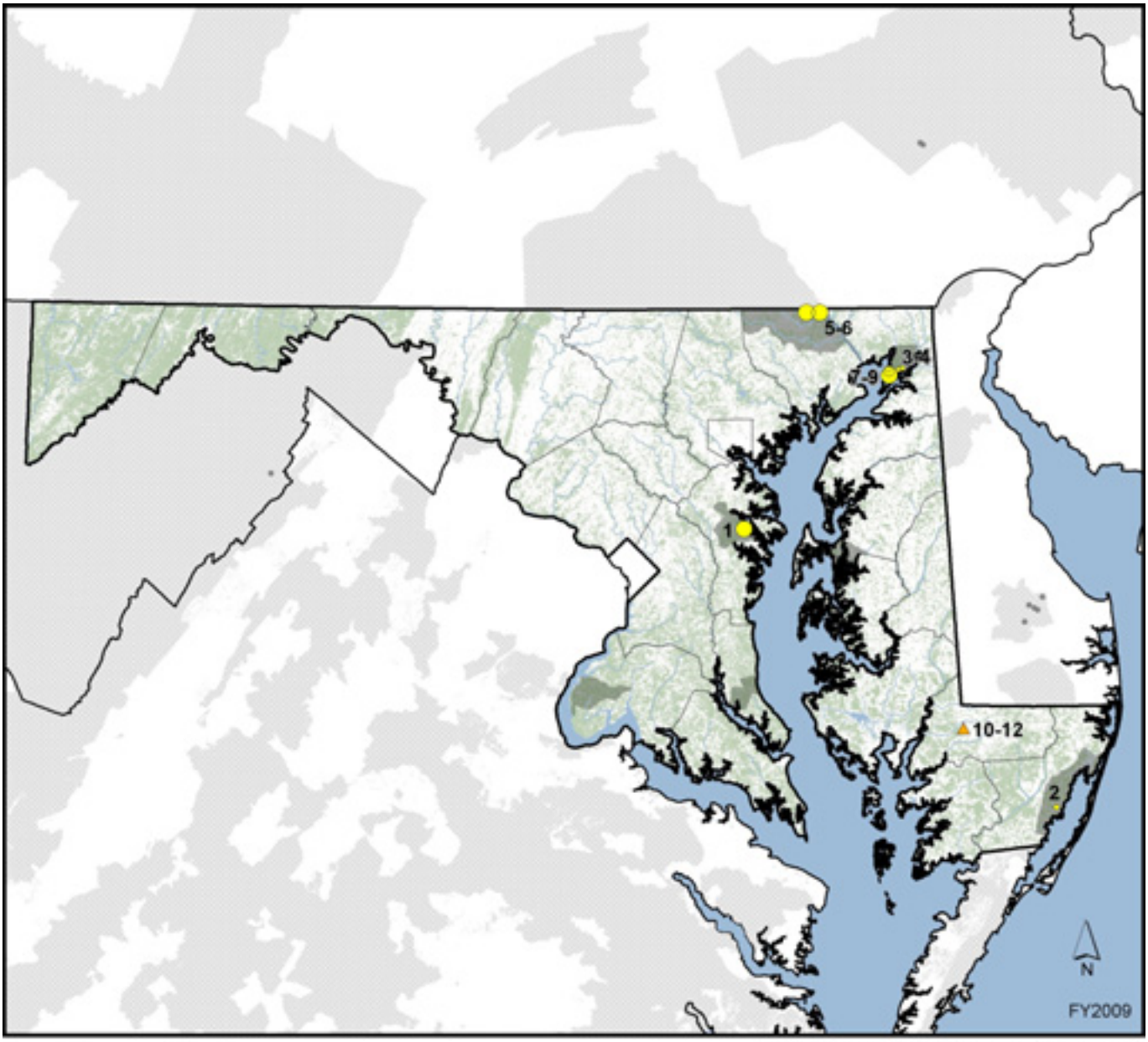
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
24	Lower Penobscot Forest 3	Penobscot and Hancock	24,557	$4,700,000	$2,896,000
The combination of fee and conservation easements for this project is part of a larger conservation vision. The Penobscot-Hancock Highlands Conservation Initiative seeks to protect the forest lands east of Bangor, from the Sunkhaze National Wildlife Refuge to Bar Harbor.					
25	Grafton Notch - Stowe Mountain	Oxford	3,454	2,000,000	1,113,000
Grafton Notch slices through the spectacular Mahoosuc Mountains, encompassing some of the most dramatic mountain landscapes found in Maine. Hiking trails on the property offer access to recreational opportunities on this tract and neighboring properties.					
26	Machias River 3 Tract 2	Washington	27,164	3,392,000	2,060,000
Located between protected lands, this project has outstanding conservation values, including lakefront, streams, and diverse wildlife habitats. Secures over 88 percent of the upper Machias watershed from development and ensures sustainable forest management and public access.					
27–31	Katahdin Forest Expansion 1–5	Piscataquis and Penobscot	19,647	9,000,000	3,700,000
The Katahdin Region, anchored by Baxter State Park, represents Maine's largest block of contiguous conservation lands. All five properties have traditionally been under active commercial forest management and are key contributors to the local wood products industry.					
Funded Projects Total:			**74,822**	**$19,092,000**	**$9,769,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
32–33	West Grand Lake Community Forest 1–2	Washington	21,700	$14,895,000
The project lies directly in the center of a vast conserved area encompassing nearly 1.4 million acres in both the United States and New Brunswick, Canada. The project is immediately adjacent to over 68,000 acres of prior Forest Legacy Program-completed projects.				
34	Katahdin Forest Expansion 3 – Gulf Hagas	Piscataquis	32,000	4,700,000
The project is contiguous to over 1.5 million acres of permanently protected forest lands. It lies directly adjacent to the FLP 37,200-acre Katahdin Iron Works parcel, and is linked by other conservation lands to three other FLP-completed projects				
Proposed Projects Total:			**53,700**	**$19,595,000**

Maryland Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

Assessment of Need approved January 22, 1996

- Reduce forest fragmentation caused by development
- Restore and protect riparian zones, native plants and animals, and remnant forests
- Provide recreational opportunities
- Protect watersheds and water supplies
- Ensure economic stability through the continuation of traditional forest uses
- Maintain important scenic resources of the State
- Provide linkage to public areas and protected areas
- Protect rare, threatened, and endangered species

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Maryland Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 100 acres
- Completed 101 - 300 acres
- Completed over 300 acres
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent NA State

Maryland Forest Legacy Program

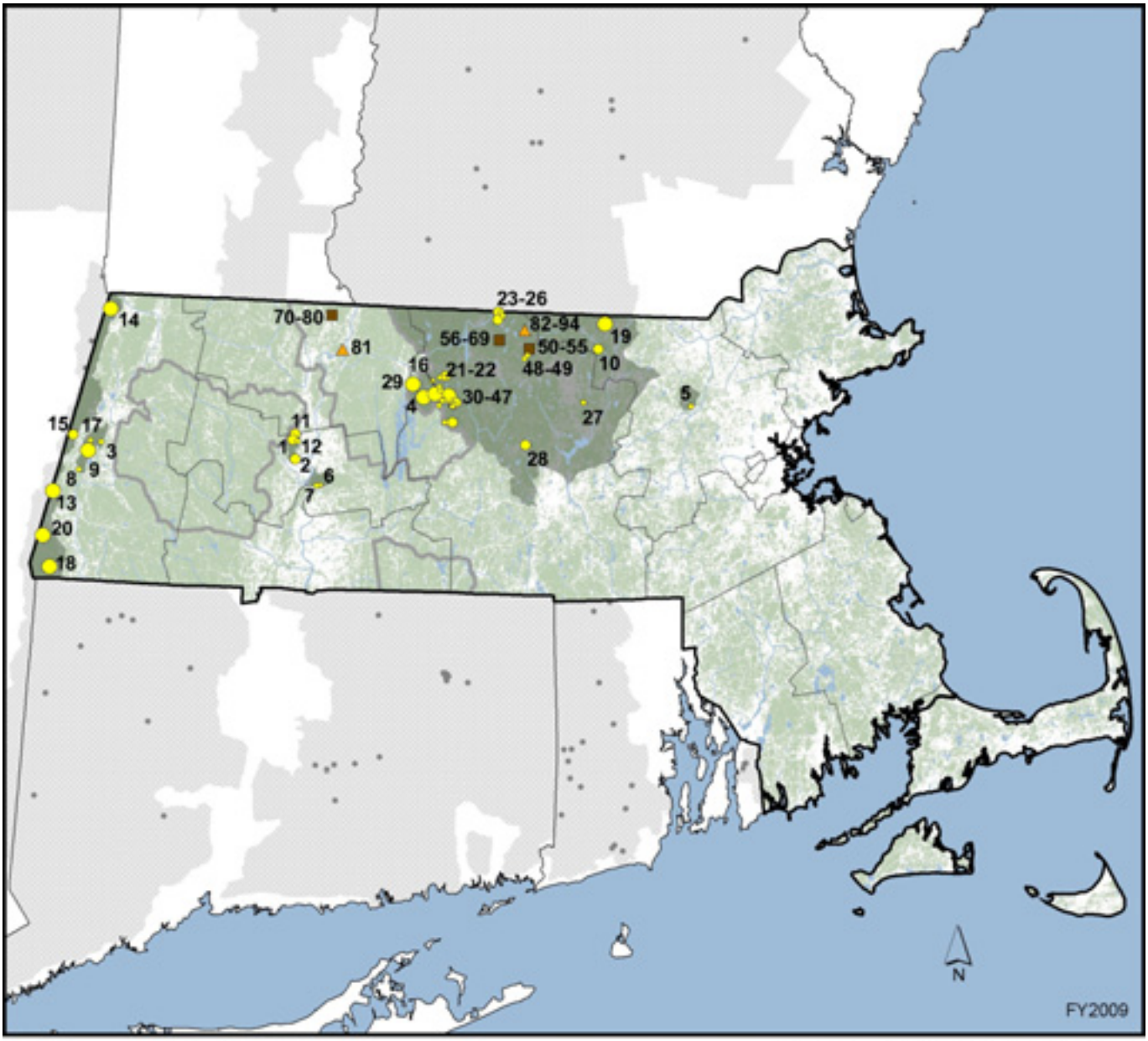
Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Green Cathedral	Anne Arundel	298	$1,550,000	$650,000
2	Coastal Bay	Worcester	95	78,000	78,000
3–4	Muddy Creek 1–2	Cecil	186	630,000	630,000
5–6	Broad Creek 1–2	Harford	767	4,811,000	3,255,000
7–9	Rodney, Caveat, and McDaniel	Cecil	668	775,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**2,014**	**$7,844,000**	**$4,613,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
10–12	Wicomico River 1–3	Wicomico	2,698	$5,600,000
Three parcels of private land totaling 2,698 acres. The land is actively managed, primarily for loblolly pine sawtimber with pulpwood thinnings. The parcels all adjoin existing protected land.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**2,698**	**$5,600,000**

Massachusetts Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Protect high-elevation forests and municipal watersheds
- Protect aquifers, river corridors, and wetlands
- Protect threatened and endangered species habitat
- Encourage traditional forest uses

Assessment of Need approved August 5, 1993
AON amended June 1, 2001

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Massachusetts Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Massachusetts Proposed Forest Legacy Area

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 100 acres
- Completed 101 - 200 acres
- Completed over 200 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Massachusetts Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Holich	Hampshire	113	$220,000	$220,000
2	Anciporch	Hampshire	106	198,000	165,000
3	Audubon	Berkshire	75	180,000	180,000
4	Hutchinson	Worcester	490	616,000	450,000
5	Pippin Tree	Middlesex	73	4,300,000	1,500,000
6	Boudreau	Hampshire	56	321,000	241,000
7	Johnson	Hampshire	47	59,000	48,000
8	Stockbridge Sportsman's Club	Berkshire	67	60,000	60,000
9	Kripalu (BNRC)	Berkshire	225	280,000	280,000
10	Pumpkin Brook Link	Middlesex	174	750,000	250,000
11–12	Hatfield Watershed 1–2	Hampshire	145	681,000	512,000
13–15	Alford Springs 1–3	Berkshire	947	1,265,000	945,000
16	2-Mile Landbridge	Worcester	467	600,000	330,000
17	Williams	Berkshire	14	38,000	35,000
18	Mt. Washington–Camp Hi-Rock	Berkshire	665	2,100,000	1,097,000
19	Belmont Springs	Middlesex	255	2,600,000	1,383,000
20	Karner Brook Ridge	Berkshire	213	1,000,000	303,000
21–22	Prospect Hill 1–2	Worcester	167	438,000	302,000
23–26	Bush Hill 1–4	Worcester	340	598,000	243,000
27	Ballard Hill	Berkshire	33	265,000	90,000
28	Muschopauge Brook	Worcester	106	630,000	395,000
29	Eagleville Pines	Worcester	283	1,107,000	830,000
30–47	Quabbin Corridor Connection 1–18	Worcester	1,667	4,240,000	2,710,000
48–49	Southern Monadnock Plateau 1–2	Worcester	123	639,000	23,000
Completed Projects Total:			**6,851**	**$23,185,000**	**$12,592,000**

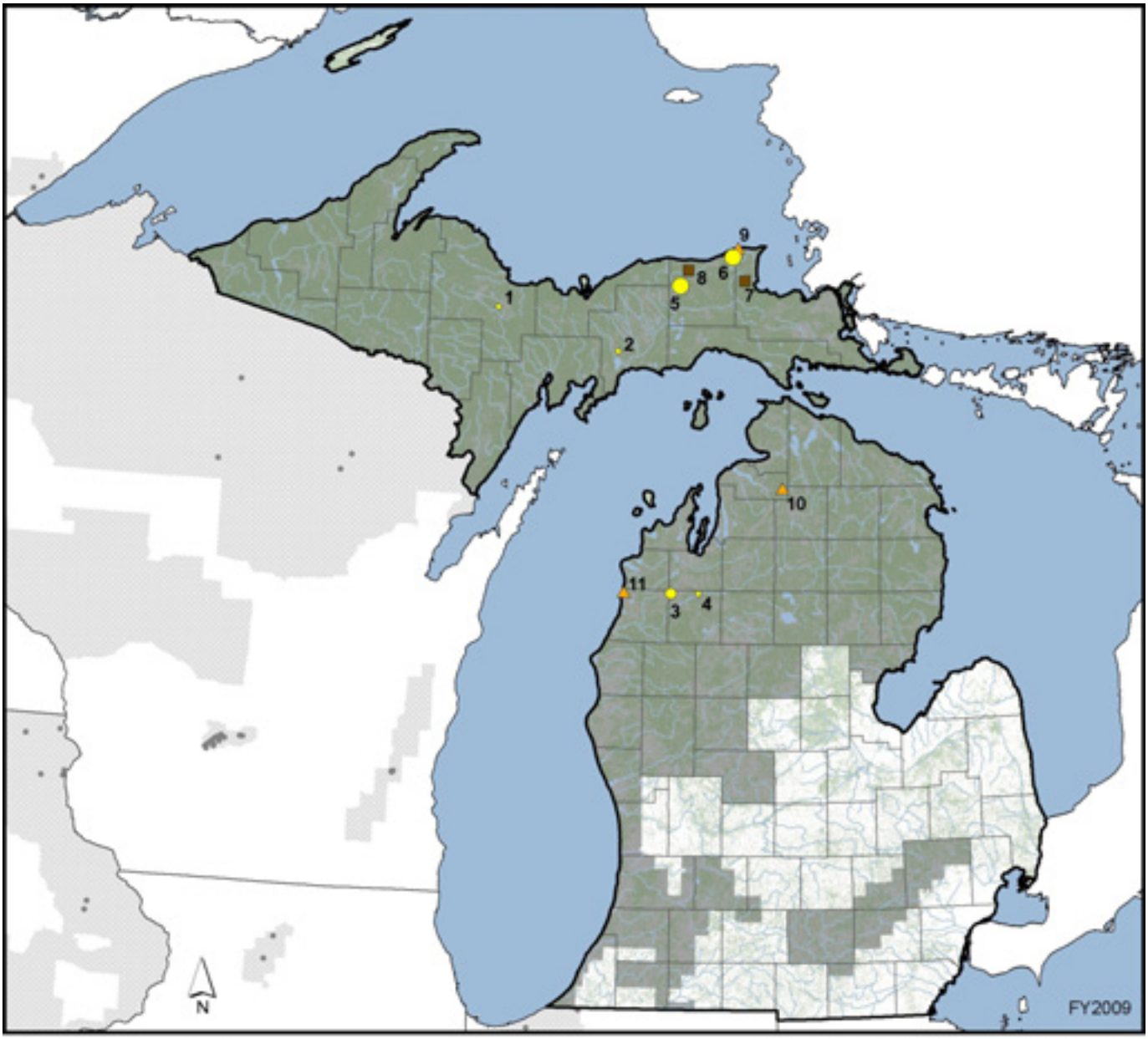
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
50-55	Southern Monadnock Plateau 3–8	Worcester	936	$3,720,000	$2,290,000
Properties will provide public access to 3.3 miles of the Midstate Trail, a priority recreation corridor. The project is within the Quabbin to Cardigan Corridor, a bi-state initiative to protect contiguous forest blocks in Massachusetts and New Hampshire.					
56-69	Southern Monadnock Plateau II 1-14	Worcester	1,825	4,430,000	3,320,000
This project builds on Phase 1 to conserve working forests facing high threats of conversion due to increasing development pressures. This multiyear effort is creating corridors of protected working forests, linking protected lands in Massachusetts and New Hampshire.					
70-80	Metacomet-Monadnock Forest 1–11	Franklin and Worcester	1,055	2,225,000	1,655,000
This project is the first of a three-phase strategy targeting 5,000 acres of institutional and private forest land centered in some of the largest unfragmented forest blocks in the Massachusetts and New Hampshire Quabbin to Cardigan corridor.					
Funded Projects Total:			**3,816**	**$10,375,000**	**$7,265,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
81	Brushy Mountain	Franklin	3,473	$10,000,000
This project is the largest contiguous tract of land under private ownership in Massachusetts, and will promote sustainable forestry, protect wildlife habitat, and guarantee public access.				
82–94	Southern Monadnock Plateau III 1–13	Worcester and Middlesex	2,016	5,615,000
This project will build on Phase 1 and 2 to conserve working forests facing high threats of conversion due to increasing development pressures. This multiyear effort is creating corridors of protected working forests, linking more than 15,000 acres of protected lands in Massachusetts and New Hampshire.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**5,489**	**$15,615,000**

Michigan Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

Assessment of Need approved February 20, 2004

- Identify and protect environmentally important, privately owned forests threatened by conversion to uses inconsistent with traditional forest uses
- Reduce forest fragmentation caused by parcelization/subdivision and development
- Provide environmental benefits through the protection of riparian areas, native forest plants and animals, and natural ecosystem functions
- Maintain scenic resources
- Enhance recreational opportunities
- Promote forest stewardship
- Provide undeveloped buffer areas to already protected areas
- Complement other State or Federal interests or assistance programs
- Protect rare, threatened, and endangered species
- Enhance habitat connectivity

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Michigan Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 100 acres
- Completed 100 - 200 acres
- Completed over 200 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Michigan Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1–2	Central Upper Peninsula 1–2	Marquette and Schoolcraft	160	$161,000	$106,000
3–4	Northern Wexford 1–2	Wexford	200	500,000	375,000
5	Northern Great Lakes Forest 1	Multiple	36,716	5,507,000	1,970,000
6	Northern Great Lakes Forest 2	Multiple	30,343	4,775,000	3,500,000
Completed Projects Total:			**67,419**	**$10,943,000**	**$5,951,000**

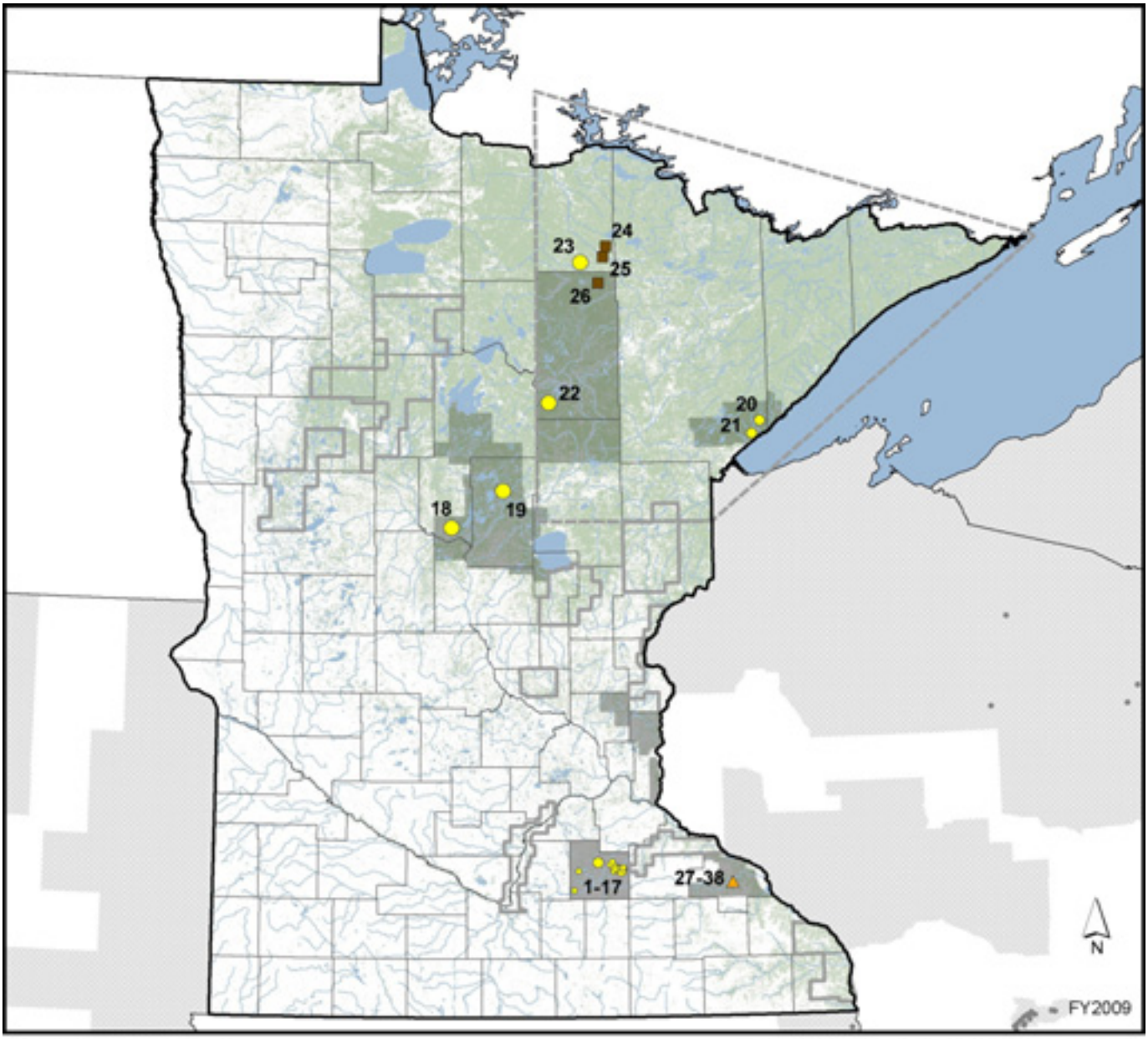
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
7–8	Northern Great Lakes Forest 3–4	Multiple	83,932	$13,064,000	$3,979,000
This project will acquire a conservation easement on 150,991 acres of northern hardwood forest and freshwater wetland resources in two phases. Public recreational access will be acquired. The FLP acquisitions are part of a larger project that involves land protection through fee purchase and conservation easement acquisitions on a total of 271,124 acres.					
Funded Projects Total:			**83,932**	**$13,064,000**	**$3,979,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
9	Crisp Point	Chippewa and Luce	3,810	$6,900,000
Acquisition of this property will permanently protect and provide public access to 12,200 feet of Lake Superior shoreline. The property provides critical threatened and endangered species habitat, refuge for Neotropical migratory birds, and multiple recreational opportunities.				
10	Thumb Lake Forest	Charlevoix	1,880	2,935,000
This project will provide public recreational access and preserve one of the largest privately owned parcels in the northern Lower Peninsula. It is dominated by high-quality northern hardwood forests, and is surrounded on three sides by thousands of acres of State Forest lands.				
11	Arcadia Forest	Benzie and Manistee	1,590	2,100,000
A conservation easement on this tract will protect one of the largest tracts of high-quality northern hardwood forest in the Grand Traverse region of Michigan. The tract is adjacent to the 2,000-acre Arcadia Dunes Nature Preserve.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**7,280**	**$11,935,000**

Minnesota Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Prevent conversion of private forest lands most likely threatened by development in the next decade
- Encourage all eligible organizations and agencies to focus on and protect the most threatened forests
- Work with organizations and agencies to protect specific forest tracts from development

Assessment of Need approved February 29, 2000
AON amended February 18, 2005

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas
Minnesota Forest Legacy Area - Active (Forested | Non-Forested)
Minnesota Forest Legacy Area - Candidate
Mixed Laurentian Province Forest Legacy Area
Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 100 acres
- Completed 101 - 1,000 acres
- Completed over 1,000 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent NA State

Minnesota Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1–6	Nerstrand Woods 1–6	Rice	464	$1,251,000	$1,001,000
7–12	Seven Mile Woods 1–6	Rice	347	869,000	478,000
13–14	Cannon River Wilderness 1–2	Rice	84	184,000	135,000
15–16	Cannon River Big Woods 1–2	Rice	148	724,000	566,000
17	Big Woods Heritage Forest	Rice	128	409,000	0
18–19	Brainerd Lakes 1–2	Cass and Crow Wing	4,770	3,600,000	2,700,000
20–21	North Duluth 1–2	St. Louis	768	720,000	365,000
22	Sugar Hills	Itasca	1,659	1,800,000	750,000
23	Koochiching Forest 1	Koochiching	51,163	12,000,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**59,531**	**$21,557,000**	**$5,995,000**

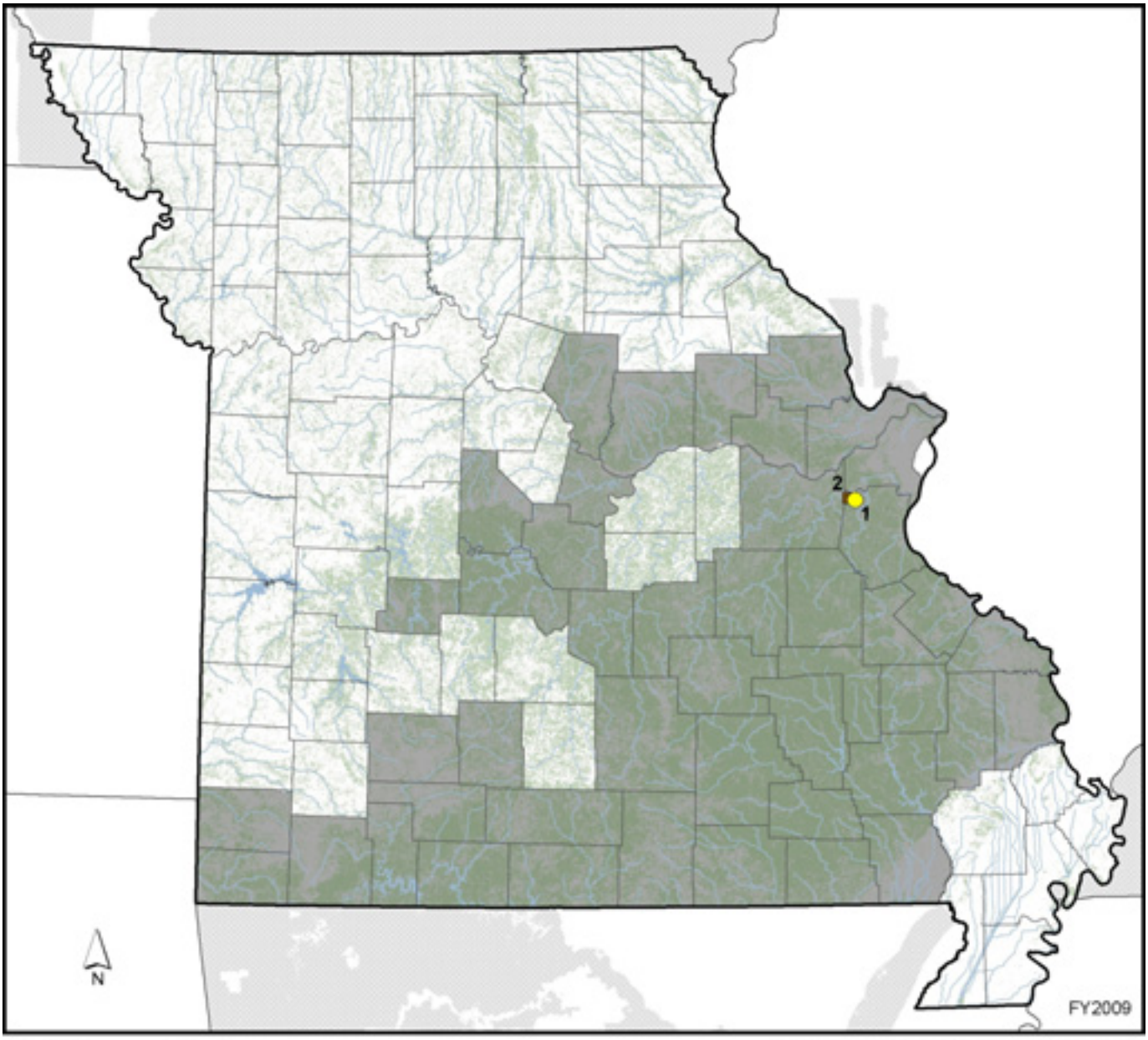
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
24–26	Koochiching Forest 2–4	Itasca and Koochiching	90,133	$20,000,000	$9,964,000
This property, located adjacent to the Superior National Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation, and Minnesota's largest State Forest, contains 21 Federal or State endangered or threatened species, including Canada lynx, timber wolf, orchids, and a rare tiger beetle.					
Funded Projects Total:			**90,133**	**$20,000,000**	**$9,964,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
27–38	Mississippi Blufflands 1–12	Wabasha	3,558	$3,385,000
Consisting of 12 different tracts, this project is the first phase to buffer existing State forest lands from development pressure in southeastern Minnesota. This project will protect working forests that provide lumber to local mills and manufacturers.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**3,558**	**$3,385,000**

Missouri Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

– To maintain large blocks of important privately owned forest land that will supply the infrastructure to protect and conserve the important forest values for which the forest was selected. These values are critical watersheds and water supply protection, species richness, native forest ecosystems, karst features, and species of conservation concern. Protection will be in accordance with providing for economic visibility and stability, forest stewardship, and sustainability through the promotion of working forests.

Assessment of Need approved August 5, 2005

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Missouri Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed
- Funded
- Completed project in adjacent NA State

Missouri Forest Legacy Program

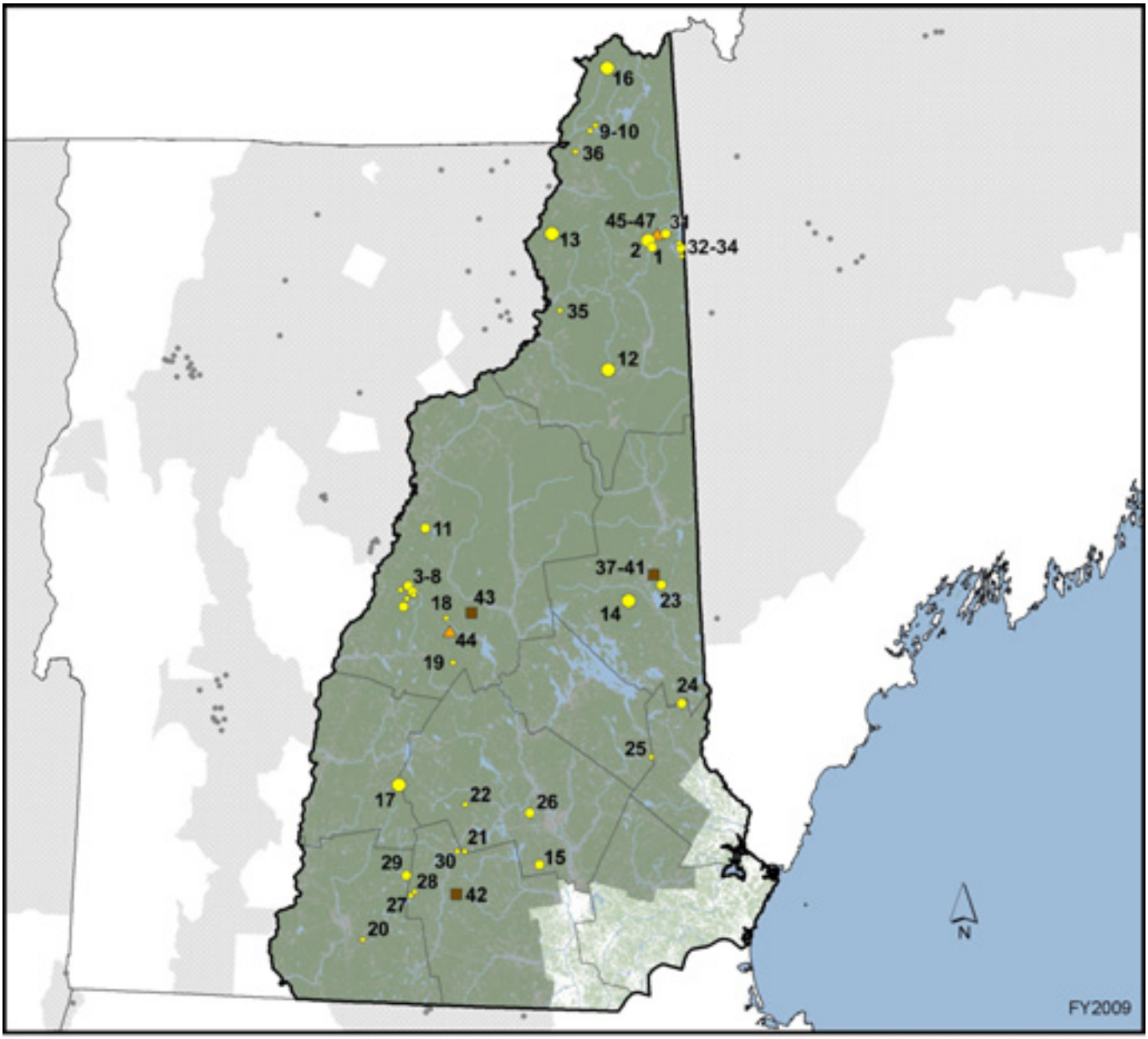
Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	LaBarque Creek	Jefferson	154	$1,510,000	$500,000
Completed Projects Total:			**154**	**$1,510,000**	**$500,000**

Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
2	LaBarque Creek 2	Jefferson	429	$3,904,000	$1,500,000
LaBarque Creek features over 6.5 miles of permanently flowing, very high-quality stream habitat. This project protects about 10 percent of the creek's length. The watershed's underlying sandstone geology, very uncommon in Missouri, supports five different types of rare, imperiled high-quality natural communities, as well as many State-listed Species of Conservation Concern.					
Funded Projects Total:			**429**	**$3,904,000**	**$1,500,000**

New Hampshire Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Expand existing protected forests
- Protect large blocks of forest land
- Provide for traditional forest uses
- Protect critical wildlife habitat

Assessment of Need approved February 11, 1994
AON amended February 29, 2000

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Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 500 acres
- Completed 501 - 5,000 acres
- Completed over 5,000 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

New Hampshire Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

New Hampshire Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1–2	Thirteen Mile Woods 1–2	Coos	8,070	$4,605,000	$2,195,000
3–8	Smarts Mountain 1–6	Grafton	3,911	879,000	873,000
9–10	Jahoda and Jahoda/Johnson	Coos	400	157,000	157,000
11	Piermont Mountain	Grafton	1,650	219,000	219,000
12	Pond of Safety	Coos	10,198	3,844,000	2,109,000
13	Bunnell Mountain	Coos	18,430	2,050,000	1,675,000
14	Ossipee Mountains	Carroll	5,372	1,685,000	1,400,000
15	Kimball Pond	Merrimack	972	1,085,000	700,000
16	Connecticut Lakes Headwaters	Coos	146,290	15,325,000	11,494,000
17–22	Pillsbury-Sunapee Highlands 1–6	Grafton, Sullivan, and Merrimack	7,786	3,567,000	2,499,000
23	Trout Pond	Carroll	2,660	2,130,000	1,184,000
24–25	Moose Mountain 1–2	Strafford and Carroll	2,318	1,460,000	988,000
26–27	Rossview 1–2	Merrimack and Hillsborough	642	2,720,000	1,970,000
28–30	Willard Pond 1–3	Hillsborough	2,323	4,802,000	3,535,000
31–36	Northern Forest Tracts 1–6	Coos	4,082	3,302,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**215,104**	**$47,830,000**	**$30,998,000**

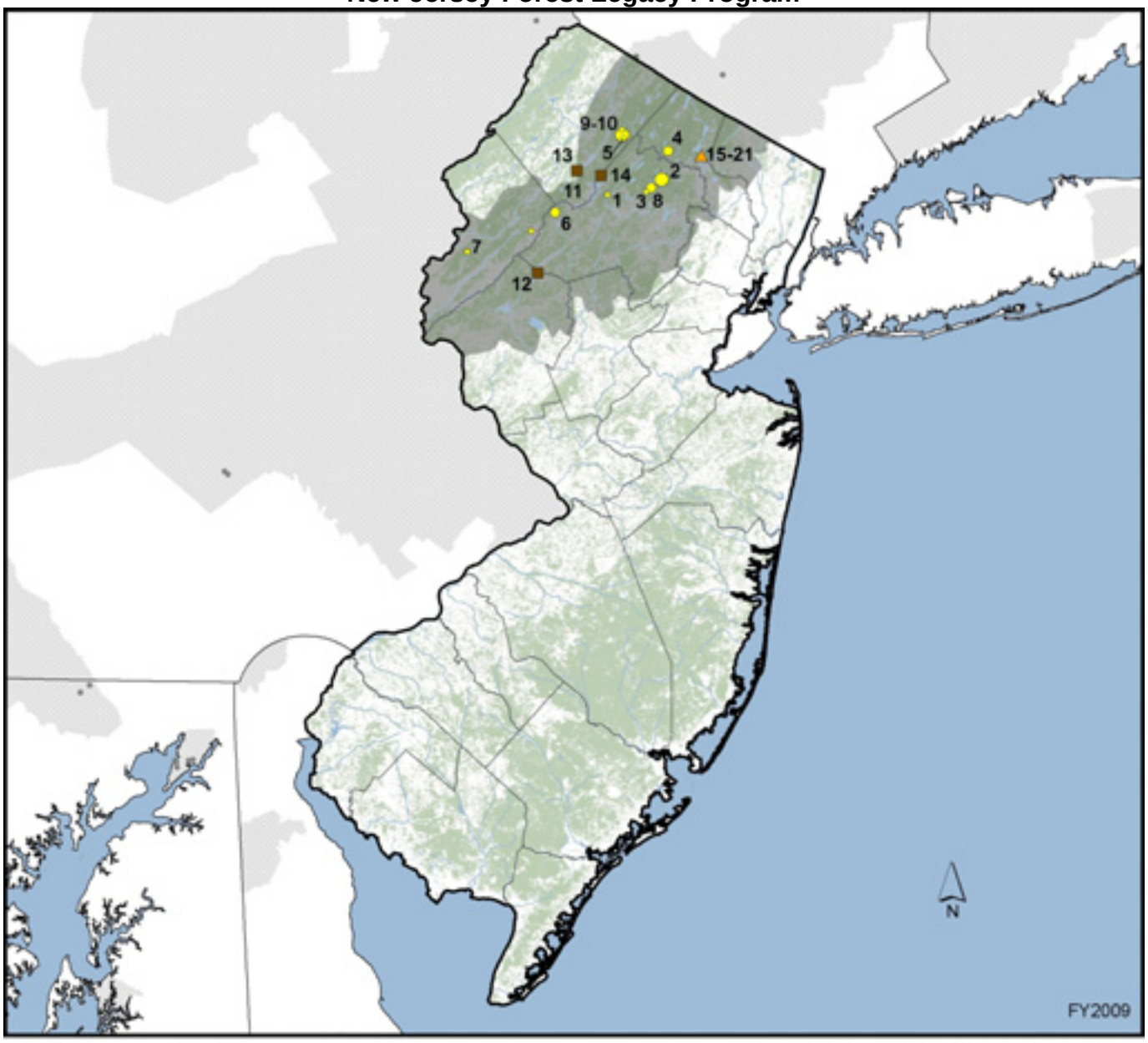
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
37–41	Ossipee Pine Barrens 1–5	Carroll	2,320	$3,667,000	$2,351,000
The Ossipee Pine Barrens ecosystem is the last of its kind in New Hampshire. It contains exceptional natural resources, including pitch pine-scrub oak barrens, extensive wetlands, productive forest soils, an abundance of rare species, and outstanding wildlife habitat.					
42	Crotched Mountain	Hillsborough	1,165	5,000,000	2,755,000
The managed forests around the Crotched Mountain Rehabilitation Center are a certified Tree Farm. This project will continue a 50-year tradition of integrating exemplary forest stewardship with critical care and rehabilitative therapy for people with disabilities.					
43	Cardigan Highlands 1	Grafton	6,578	4,827,000	3,600,000
This project is part of an effort to connect existing conservation lands to achieve conservation at the landscape scale. It will protect surface and ground water, fish and wildlife habitat, unique forest communities, and recreational opportunities.					
Funded Projects Total:			**10,063**	**$13,494,000**	**$8,706,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
44	Cardigan Highlands 2	Grafton	2,700	$1,800,000
This property is a key linkage in the north-south corridor of unfragmented forest land that reaches through the Cardigan Highlands and the Newfound Lake watershed to the southwestern boundary of the White Mountain National Forest in Rumney.				
45–47	Androscoggin Headwaters 1–3	Coos	23,783	13,100,000
Located in the stunning Mahoosuc Mountains region, the project will protect 19 undeveloped ponds, 6 rare natural communities, 38 miles of streams, and high-quality wildlife habitat.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**26,483**	**$14,900,000**

New Jersey Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Protect some of the last extensive unbroken forests
- Provide a great diversity of natural resources
- Protect important and unique wildlife habitat and critical migration routes
- Provide public recreation opportunities
- Protect high-quality drinking water supplies

Assessment of Need approved October 26, 1994

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

New Jersey Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 500 acres
- Completed 501 - 1,000 acres
- Completed over 1,000 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

New Jersey Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	RTC/FDIC	Morris	145	$412,000	$412,000
2	Buck Mountain	Morris	1,200	4,300,000	200,000
3	Meriden	Morris	295	7,000,000	350,000
4	Macopin	Passaic	700	1,432,000	700,000
5	Highlands Greenway	Sussex	257	859,000	600,000
6	Crown Towers	Morris	611	7,350,000	3,176,000
7	Buckhorn Creek	Warren	433	3,254,000	1,664,000
8	Farny Highlands	Morris	528	6,120,000	1,021,000
9–10	Lake Gerard 1–2	Sussex	1,244	5,940,000	1,440,000
11	Sparta Mountain South 1	Sussex	85	3,300,000	1,773,000
Completed Projects Total:			**5,498**	**$39,967,000**	**$11,336,000**

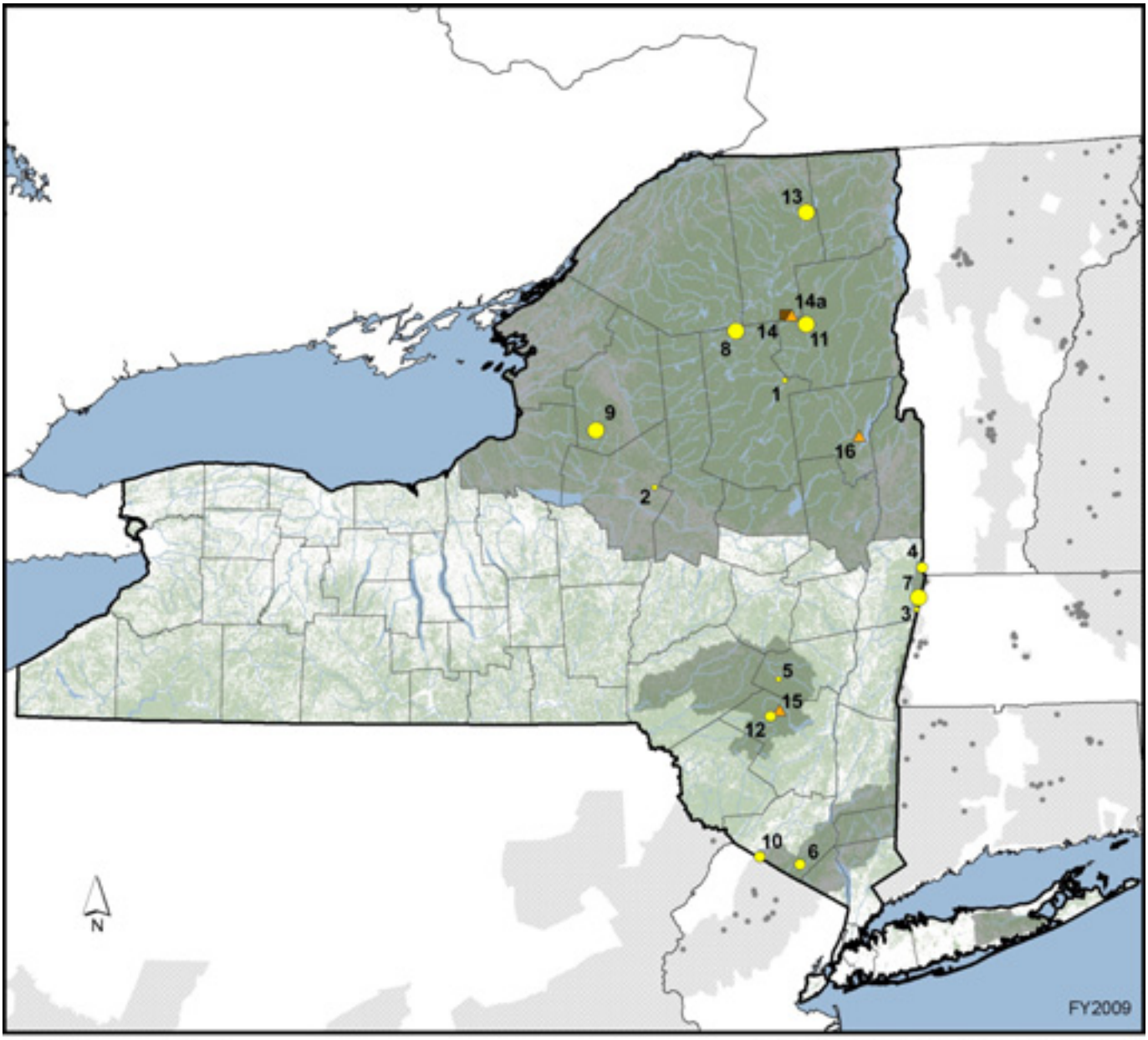
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
12	Raritan River Watershed	Hunterdon	228	$4,200,000	$3,747,000
This tract is critical to the protection of the area's forest cover and water supply. The property is connected to other publicly protected lands.					
13	Sparta Mountain South 2	Sussex	800	6,800,000	2,474,000
The Sparta Mountain chain is a significant geologic feature within the Federally designated Highlands Region. The mountain extends from the Allamuchy Range at Allamuchy State Park northward to the Sparta Mountain Wildlife Management Area.					
14	Musconetcong & Rockaway	Morris	115	3,000,000	1,000,000
The project will protect public water resources and biodiversity, and allow for public recreation. Due to the proximity of these parcels to adjacent public and protected forest land, their preservation will further expand contiguous acreage of forests and promote forest health.					
Funded Projects Total:			**1,143**	**$14,000,000**	**$7,221,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
15–21	Northern Highlands 1–7	Morris, Passaic, Sussex, and Bergen	890	$9,440,000
These fee acquisitions contain prime contiguous forest land, protect potable water resources and biodiversity, and allow for public recreation. All tracts will be fully open to the public for recreational use.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**890**	**$9,440,000**

New York Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Protect traditional forest uses
- Provide public recreation opportunities
- Protect water quality
- Protect scenic quality
- Protect wildlife habitat

Assessment of Need approved October 26, 1994
AON amended April 18, 2002

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Miles

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 200 acres
- Completed 201 - 1,000 acres
- Completed over 1,000 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

New York Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

New York Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Indian Lake	Hamilton	141	$86,000	$86,000
2	Brown	Oneida	119	120,000	120,000
3–4	Fox and Pownal Tanning	Rensselaer	378	231,000	131,000
5	Greene Frog	Greene	70	66,000	66,000
6	Sterling Forest	Orange	847	4,270,000	2,000,000
7	George Allen	Rensselaer	1,313	437,000	350,000
8	Adirondack Lakes	Hamilton	10,056	6,102,000	2,500,000
9	East Branch of Fish Creek	Lewis	31,230	3,140,000	2,362,000
10	Pochuck Mountain	Orange	515	2,678,000	1,284,000
11	Tahawus	Essex	6,813	5,096,000	1,676,000
12	Ticeteneyck Mountain	Ulster	448	1,970,000	500,000
13	Adirondack Working Forest	Multiple	83,890	10,069,000	985,000
Completed Projects Total:			**135,820**	**$34,265,000**	**$12,060,000**

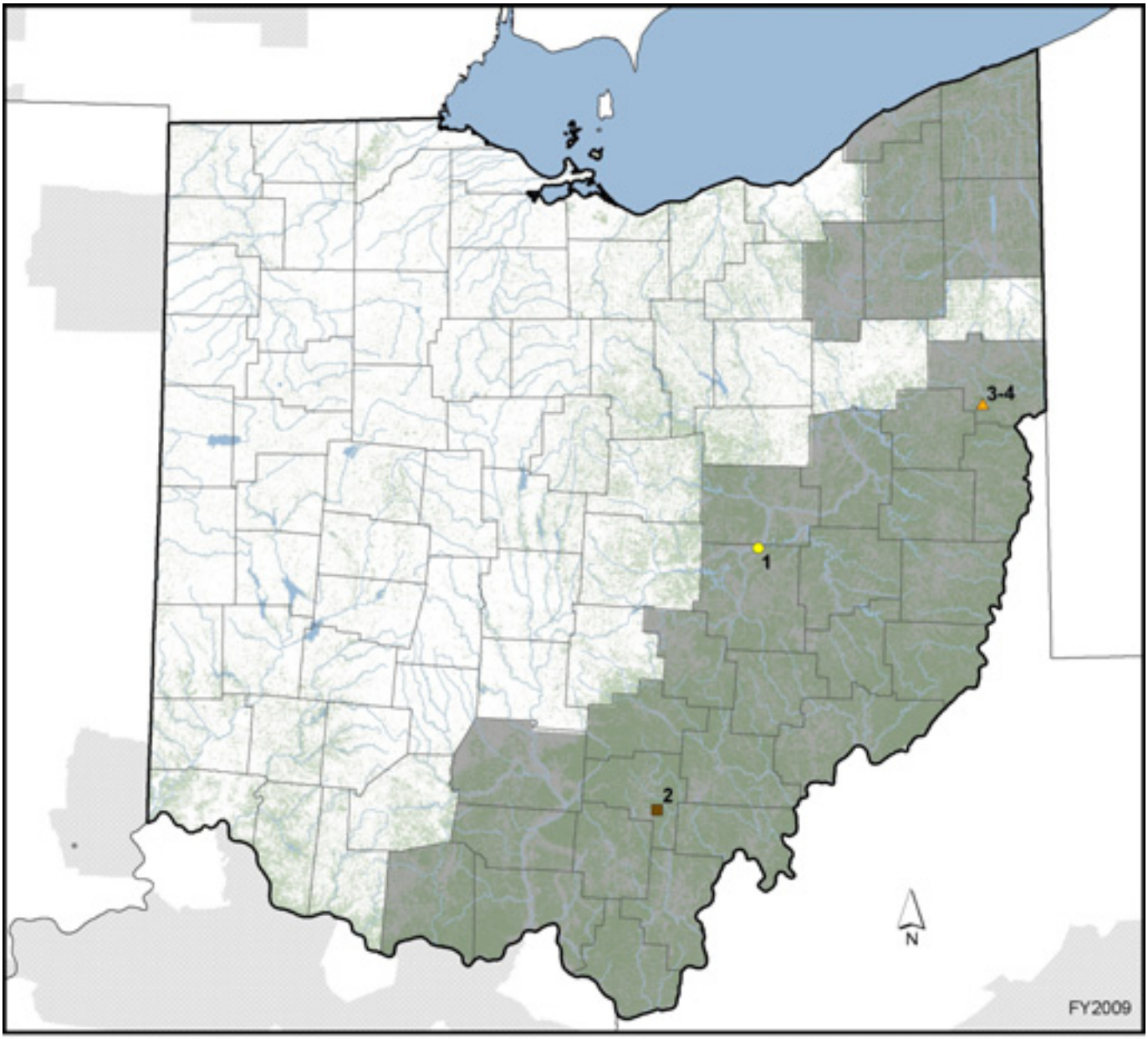
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
14	Follensby Pond	Franklin	14,600	$16,000,000	$2,500,000
Privately held for more than a century, the tract includes what is considered the largest privately owned lake in the Northeast (970 acres) and 10 miles of frontage on one of New York's longest rivers, the Raquette. It also shares a 15-mile boundary with the High Peaks Wilderness.					
Funded Projects Total:			**14,600**	**$16,000,000**	**$2,500,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
14a	Follensby Pond	Franklin	See #14	See #14
The State is requesting additional funding to fully protect this 14,600-acre tract.				
15	Hurley Mountain 1–2	Ulster	705	$1,700,000
The property includes a number of vernal pools, intermittent streams that feed the Hudson River, and a 100-foot waterfall. Situated near the Ashokan Reservoir, the protection of the property's forests is critical to retaining the quality of New York City's drinking water.				
16	Lake George Watershed	Warren	3,363	3,900,000
The forests of this project—hemlock-northern hardwood forests, beech-maple mesic forests, and pitch-pine-oak-heath on the rocky summits—will help protect the water quality of Lake George and the drinking water supply for many of the area's residents.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**4,068**	**$5,600,000**

Ohio Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

– Protect working forests, which are defined as a forest with a management plan stating clearly identified management goals that incorporate timber harvesting as an essential management tool.

Assessment of Need approved August 5, 2005

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Miles

Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Ohio Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed under 500 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent NA State

Ohio Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Muskingum North	Muskingum	436	$349,000	$262,000
Completed Projects Total:			**436**	**$349,000**	**$262,000**

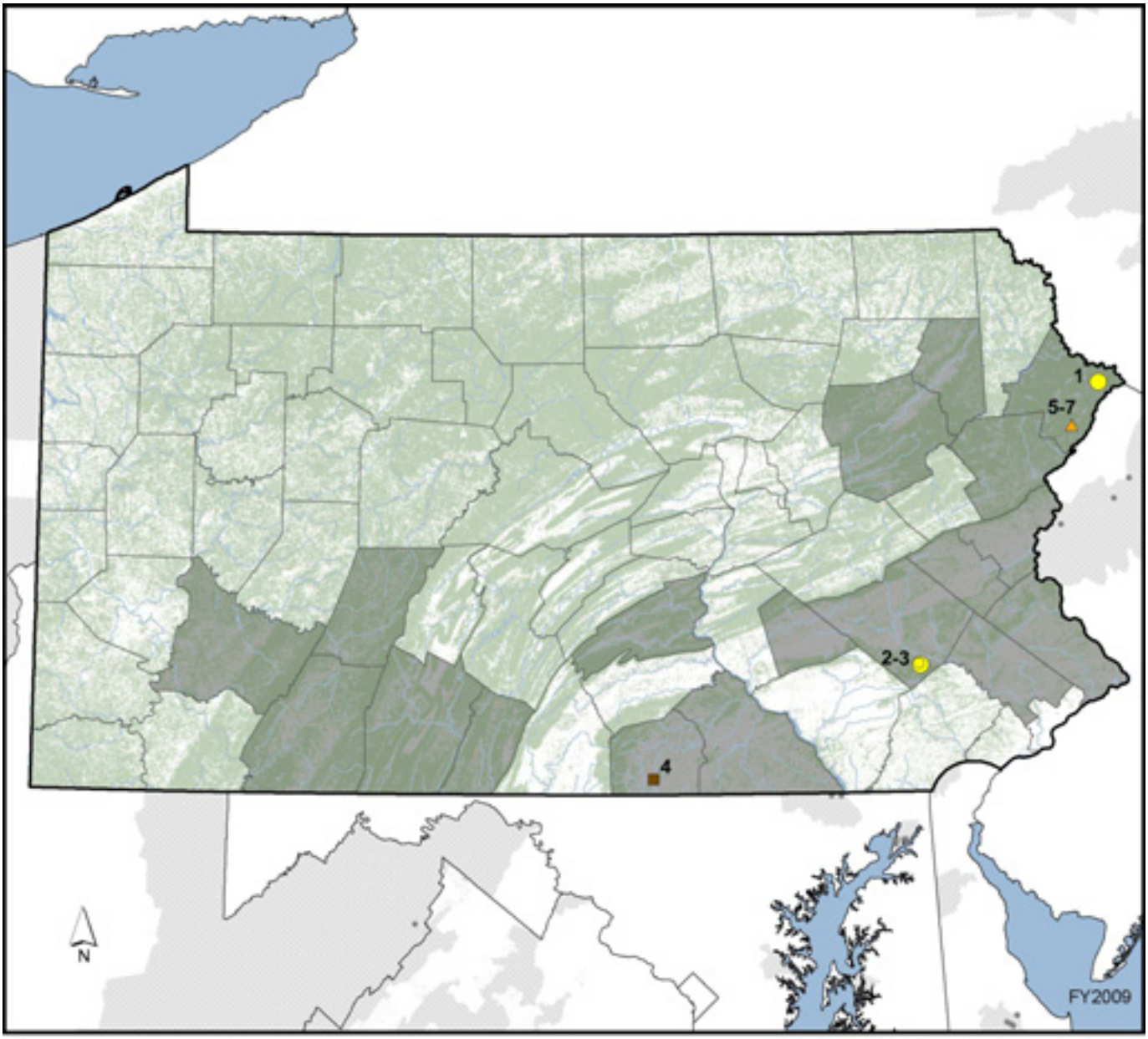
Funded Forest Legacy Tract

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
2	Vinton Furnace Experimental Forest	Vinton	15,849	$6,920,000	$5,136,000
The property is a site for nationally important, core forest research including fire ecology, wildlife, soils, and growth studies. The project is part of a 16,000-acre tract that is the single largest privately owned forested block in Ohio.					
Funded Projects Total:			**15,849**	**$6,920,000**	**$5,136,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
3–4	Foundry Hill 1–2	Columbiana	1,080	$1,945,000
The forests, streams, and wetlands in the project area support a diversity of wildlife, including several State-listed species. The project will protect 1.1 miles of stream in the headwaters area of Nancy Run, which is designated by Ohio EPA as superior high-quality water.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**1,080**	**$1,945,000**

Pennsylvania Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Protect and sustain working forests
- Maintain private ownership of the land
- Promote environmental integrity
- Promote traditional forest uses
- Promote sustainable forest management
- Maintain and reestablish forests along scenic corridors
- Protect headwaters and streams to enhance water quality

Assessment of Need approved March 7, 2002
AON Amended December 2, 2008

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Miles

Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Pennsylvania Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 0 - 1,000 acres
- Completed over 1,000 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent NA State

Pennsylvania Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	History of Forestry 1	Pike	1,191	$4,016,000	$2,216,000
2–3	Birdsboro Waters 1–2	Berks	1,765	2,200,000	800,000
Completed Projects Total:			**2,956**	**$6,216,000**	**$3,016,000**

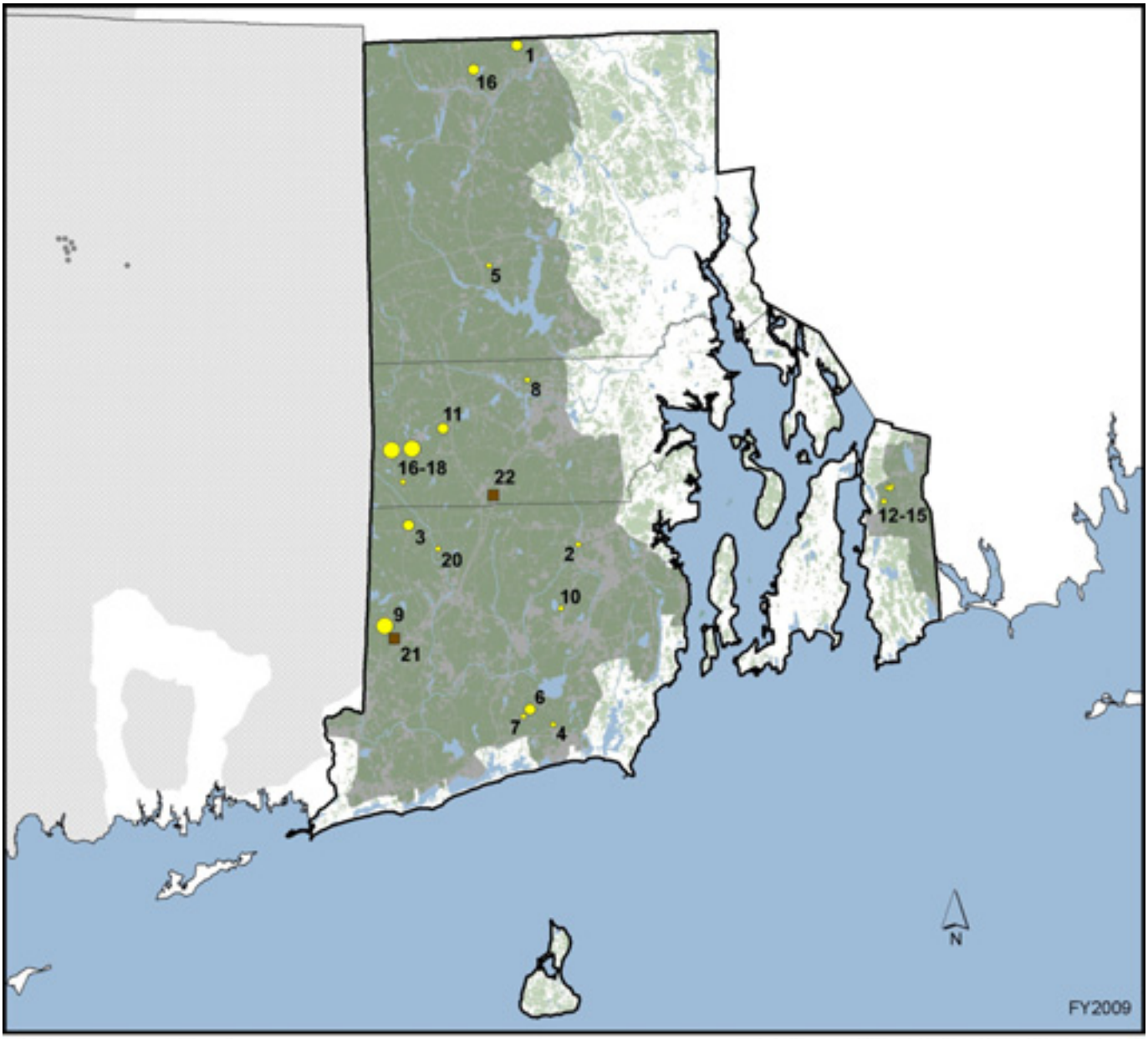
Funded Forest Legacy Tract

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
4	Tree Farm #1	Adams	2,500	$12,675,000	$3,500,000
The property contains the headwaters for Middle Creek, a high-quality cold-water fishery. This property has traditionally been used to provide pulpwood for the paper industry, helping to feed a local mill.					
Funded Projects Total:			**2,500**	**$12,675,000**	**$3,500,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
5–7	Little Bushkill Headwaters 1–3	Pike	4,152	$12,000,000
This project is very important to the public water supply because it contains the Little Bushkill, headwaters of the Bushkill and the Delaware Rivers. It also contains a wide array of plant and animal life, including species of special concern, such as the river otter and bald eagle.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**4,152**	**$12,000,000**

Rhode Island Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

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- Promote traditional forest uses
- Promote sustainable forest management
- Maintain and reestablish forests along scenic corridors
- Protect headwaters and streams to enhance water quality

Assessment of Need approved December 30, 1993

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Rhode Island Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 100 acres
- Completed 101 - 200 acres
- Completed over 200 acres
- Funded
- Completed project in adjacent State

Rhode Island Forest Legacy Program

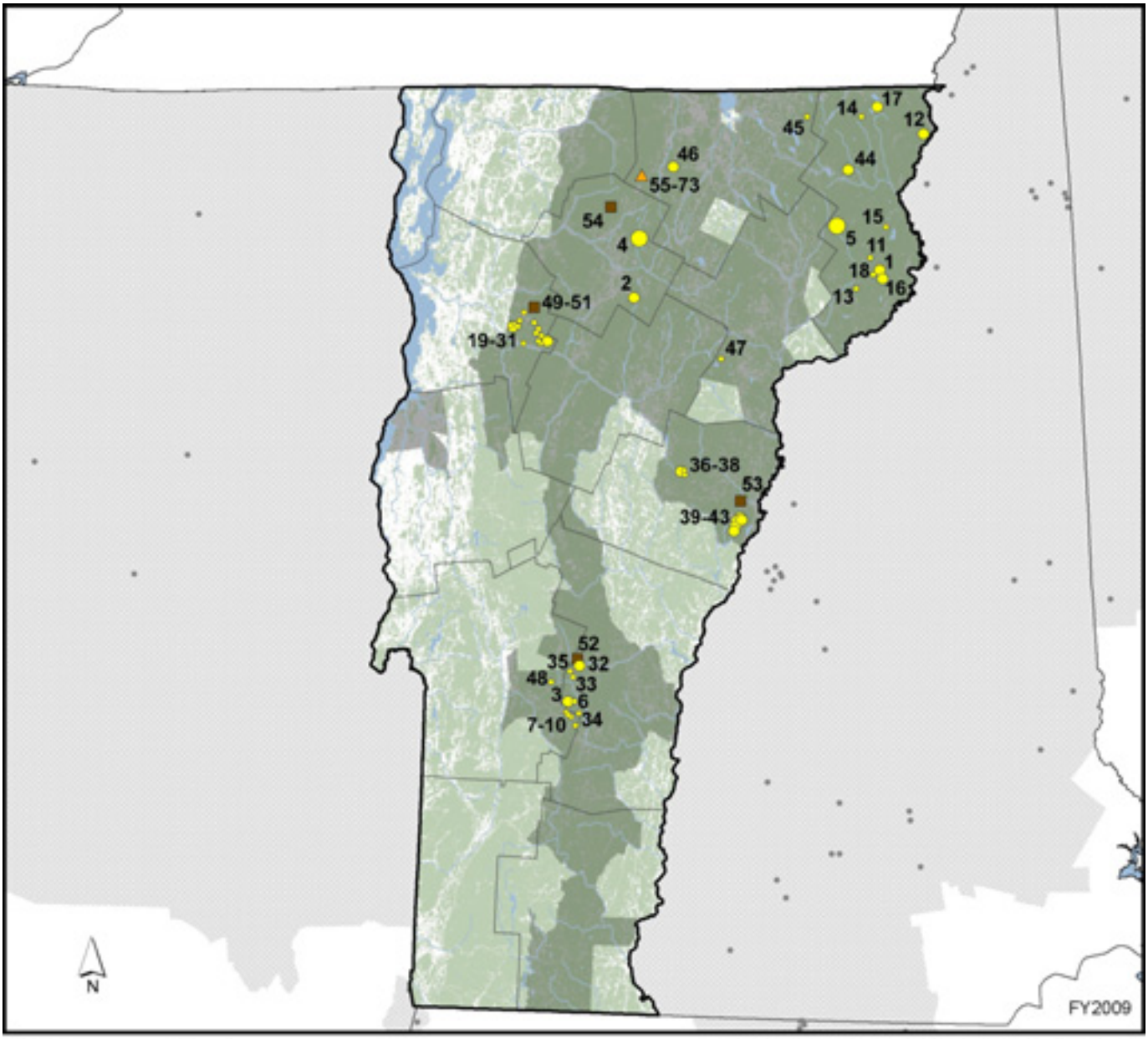
Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Screech Hole Bog	Providence	132	$53,000	$50,000
2	Queen's River	Washington	80	155,000	155,000
3	Mount Tom Trail	Washington	145	270,000	270,000
4	Susanna's Woods	Washington	75	445,000	445,000
5	Cork Brook	Providence	45	218,000	218,000
6–7	DuVal Trail Corridor 1–2	Washington	211	845,000	724,000
8	Coventry Greenway	Kent	72	296,000	296,000
9	Canonchet	Washington	471	1,000,000	550,000
10	Yawgoo Pond	Washington	68	928,000	528,000
11	Great Grass Pond	Kent	164	495,000	324,000
12–15	Weetamoo Woods 1–4	Newport	148	820,000	498,000
16–18	Tillinghast Pond 1–3	Kent	1,509	14,620,000	3,000,000
19	Willoughby	Providence	200	575,000	0
20	Pratt Farm	Washington	72	360,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**3,392**	**$21,080,000**	**$7,058,000**

Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
21	Hoxsie Farm	Washington	150	$500,000	$450,000
This property lies within the watershed of a public drinking water supply for the towns of Westerly and Hopkinton, and includes a tributary stream (Canonchet Brook) and its associated wetlands.					
22	Big River	Kent	69	820,000	591,000
This forested tract within the watershed of a public drinking water supply is actively managed for forest products. The property abuts the State-owned Big River Management Area.					
Funded Projects Total:			**219**	**$1,320,000**	**$1,041,000**

Vermont Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Protect large contiguous and productive forest blocks
- Protect habitats for wildlife dependent on large contiguous forest blocks
- Protect threatened and endangered species habitat
- Protect State fragile areas and undeveloped shoreline
- Protect significant wetlands
- Protect important recreation corridors

Assessment of Need approved February 11, 1994

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Vermont Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 1,000 acres
- Completed 1,001 - 5,000 acres
- Completed over 5,000 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Vermont Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	Cow Mountain Pond	Essex	1,660	$500,000	$271,000
2	Atlas	Lamoille	2,281	342,000	342,000
3	Wilderness Corp.	Windsor	2,086	771,000	618,000
4	Green River	Lamoille	5,113	2,526,000	1,776,000
5	Hancock	Essex and Orleans	31,450	2,847,000	2,500,000
6	Snow	Windsor	560	200,000	200,000
7–10	Mt. Holly Wildlife Corridor 1–4	Windsor and Rutland	1,490	1,918,000	1,438,000
11–18	Northeast Kingdom 1–8	Essex	5,981	2,621,000	1,675,000
19–31	Chittenden Uplands 1–13	Chittenden	5,407	5,284,000	3,804,000
32	Chateauguay/No Town	Windsor	1,175	950,000	550,000
33–35	Green Mountain Corridor 1–3	Windsor	558	1,152,000	616,000
36–38	Orange Headwaters 1–3	Orange	1,491	950,000	760,000
39–43	Brushwood Community Forest 1–5	Orange	633	883,000	631,000
44–48	Vermont Cost Share Tracts	Various	7,805	1,552,000	0
Completed Projects Total:			**67,690**	**$22,496,000**	**$15,181,000**

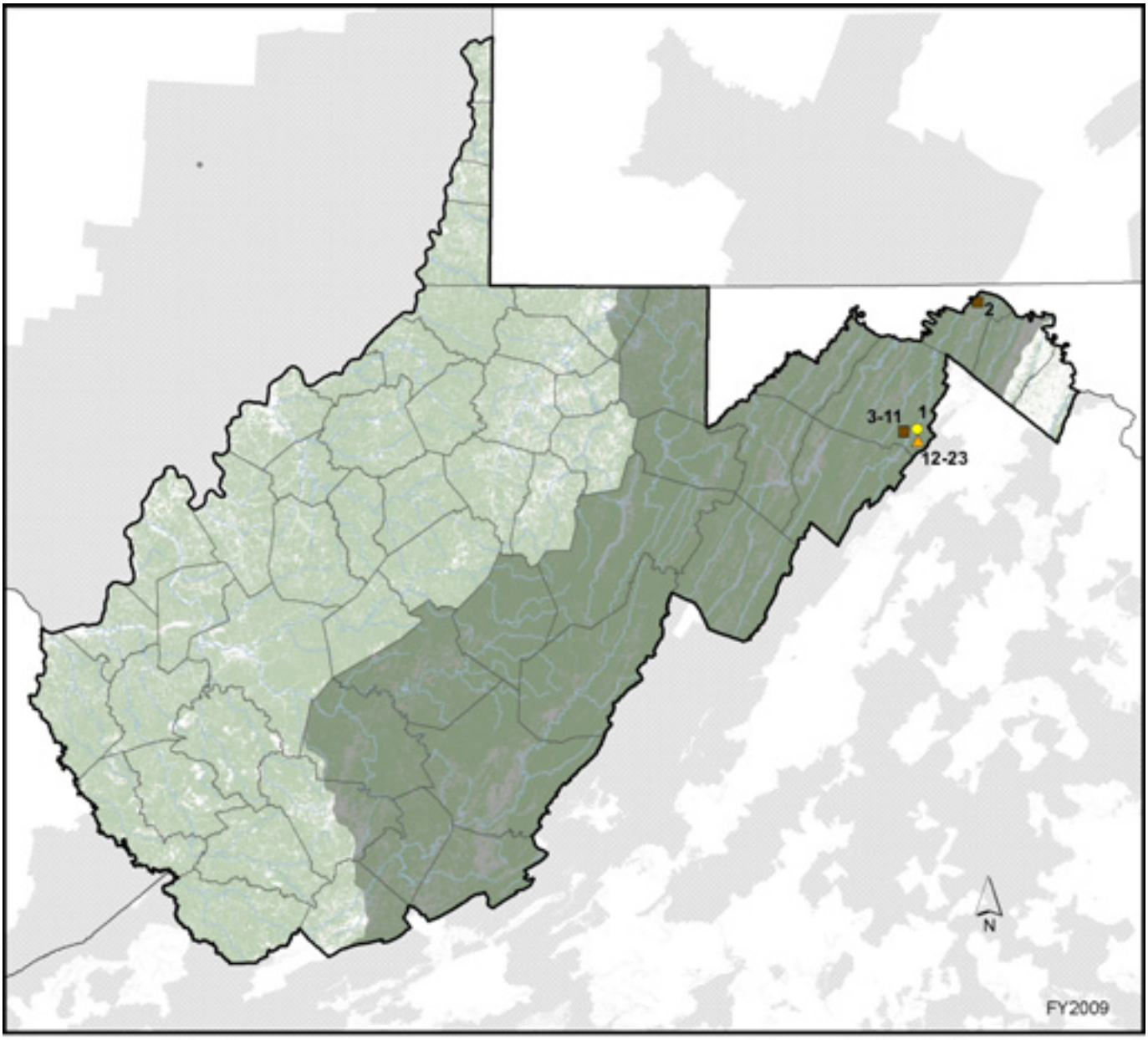
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
49–51	Chittenden Uplands 14–16	Chittenden	667	$616,000	$602,000
This project will conserve forest land in Vermont's most populated area. Properties include very productive, rich woodlands with tremendous plant diversity. Forest types range from northern hardwoods to pine stands and oak communities.					
52	Green Mountain Corridor 4	Windsor	470	570,000	570,000
This project continues previous FLP efforts in the area to conserve and protect property strategically located within the designated wildlife corridor between the north and south units of the Green Mountain National Forest.					
53	Brushwood Community Forest 6	Orange	1,350	854,000	854,000
The conserved area will protect and enhance important wildlife habitat and productive forests, provide for unique recreational opportunities, and protect a critical source of public drinking water. It also combines 11 separate forested ownerships into a single parcel.					
54	Eden Forest	Lamoille	5,727	5,335,000	4,000,000
The project shares a 4-mile boundary with the Long Trail corridor, the Nation's oldest long-distance hiking trail and one of Vermont's most cherished cultural resources. The property includes more than 46 miles of streams and 9 wetlands to make up the Gihon River Headwaters.					
Funded Projects Total:			**8,214**	**$7,375,000**	**$6,026,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
55–73	Northern Green Mountains 1–19	Lamoille, Orleans, and Franklin	6,516	$7,855,000
Through a combination of easements and fee, this project will protect 6,500 acres of managed forest land, 25 undeveloped ponds, rare species and communities, 25 miles of streams, and high-quality wildlife habitat.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**6,516**	**$7,855,000**

West Virginia Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

- Maintain large and intact forest land tracts
- Invest in areas that will not be engulfed by other land uses
- Conserve tracts with significant timber resource values
- Support communities by conserving the raw materials for the timber, recreation, and tourism industries
- Maintain important water features by conserving working forests, wetlands, and riparian buffers
- Sustain the most ecologically significant areas of the State

Assessment of Need approved December 2, 2003

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Miles

Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

West Virginia Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed under 800 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent NA State

West Virginia Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1	South Branch 1	Hampshire	764	$458,000	$344,000
Completed Projects Total:			**764**	**$458,000**	**$344,000**

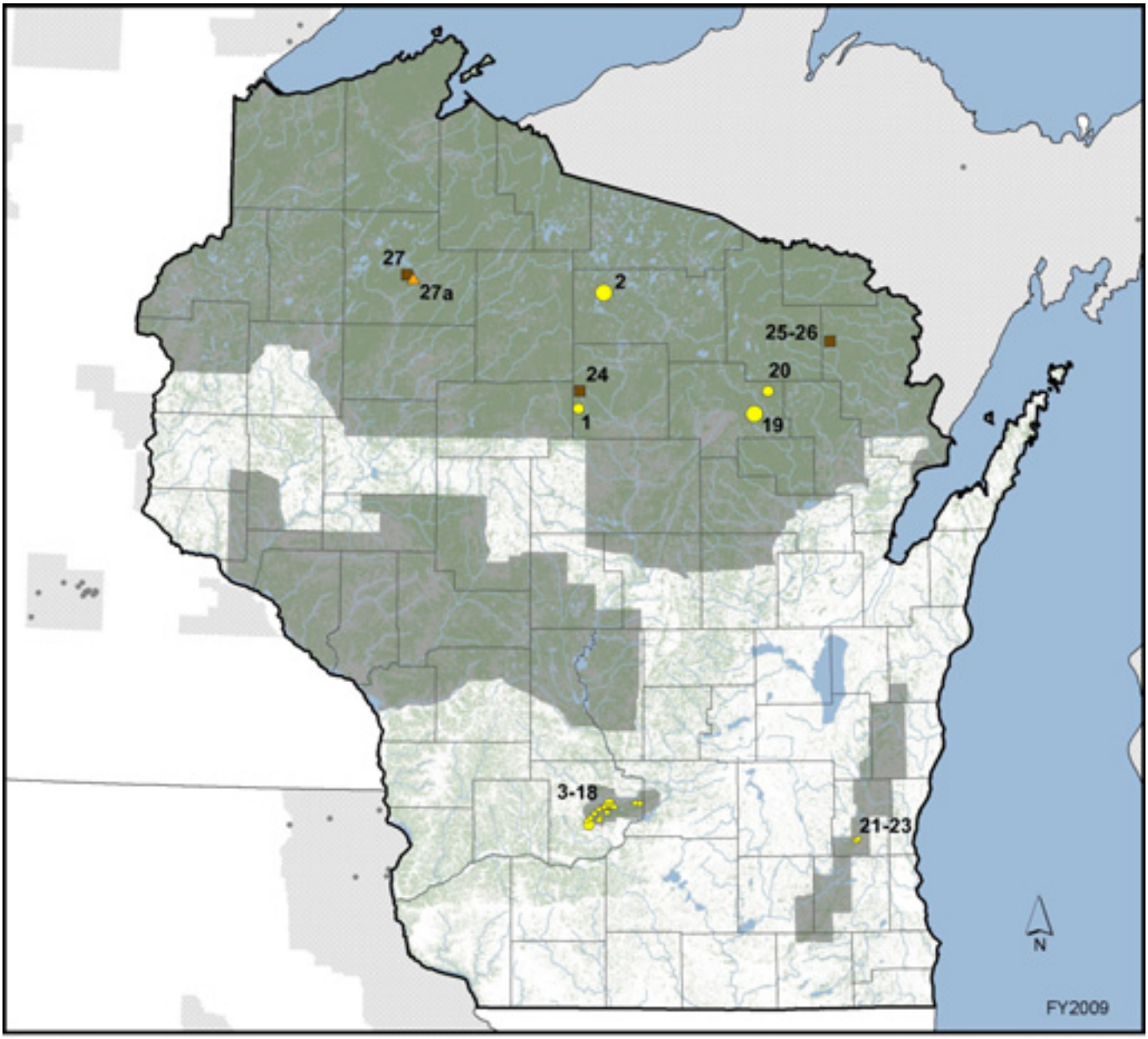
Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
2	Potomac River Hills	Morgan	2,800	$3,735,000	$2,267,000
These important forests either adjoin or are near the Potomac River in a rapidly growing area. They offer scenic vistas, maintain an important watershed, and secure a productive forest land base. The Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail runs along most of the river's length.					
3–11	South Branch 2–10	Hampshire	2,804	6,185,000	4,641,000
This project will maintain critical riparian zones and enhance water quality along tributaries that flow into the Potomac River, which is known as the "Nation's River" and is the water source for Washington, DC.					
Funded Projects Total:			**5,604**	**$9,920,000**	**$6,908,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
12–23	South Branch 11–22	Hampshire	5,607	$14,438,000
Additional properties for this multitract FLP project that protects forests along the South Branch of the Potomac River.				
Proposed Projects Total:			**5,607**	**$14,438,000**

Wisconsin Forest Legacy Program



State Program Goals

– Minimize fragmentation and conversion of significant forested areas to nonforest uses through the wise administration of conservation easements that focus on the sustainable use of forest resources

Assessment of Need approved January 16, 2001

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Forested Land outside Forest Legacy Areas

Wisconsin Forest Legacy Area (Forested | Non-Forested)

Adjacent State Forest Legacy Area

Forest Legacy Tract Status

- Completed 1 - 100 acres
- Completed 101 - 10,000 acres
- Completed over 10,000 acres
- Funded
- Proposed
- Completed project in adjacent State

Wisconsin Forest Legacy Program

Completed Forest Legacy Tracts as of September 30, 2009

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
1–2	Tomahawk Northwoods 1–2	Multiple	35,337	$13,251,000	$5,000,000
3–18	Baraboo Hills 1–16	Sauk	924	1,353,000	994,000
19–20	Wolf River 1–2	Langlade	18,511	9,181,000	3,056,000
21-23	Holy Hills 1–3	Washington	198	3,131,000	1,975,000
Completed Projects Total:			**54,970**	**$26,916,000**	**$11,025,000**

Funded Forest Legacy Tracts

No.	Name	County	Acres	Interests value	FLP payment
24	Tomahawk Northwoods 3	Oneida	1,546	$4,000,000	$1,972,000
This phase will protect over 7 miles of scenic river frontage lands as well as a significant portion of the river corridor from the Willow Flowage to Lake Nokomis, which is mostly undeveloped.					
25–26	Wild Rivers 1–2	Marinette	14,576	3,733,000	4,605,000
Managed for over 80 years for high-value northern hardwoods, these forests are vital to the local and regional economy, and provide habitat for several State-listed threatened and endangered species, including migrant songbirds, timber wolves, and the red-shouldered hawk.					
27	Chippewa Flowage	Sawyer	18,259	9,000,000	1,500,000
This project will add tremendous conservation value to nearby lands by virtue of its high-quality natural resources and its location as an unprotected gap between the Chippewa Flowage, Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, and the Lac Courte Oreilles tribal forest lands.					
Funded Projects Total:			**34,381**	**$16,733,000**	**$8,077,000**

State Proposed Forest Legacy Tracts that have cleared the Forest Stewardship or Forest Legacy Committee

No.	Name	County	Acres	Estimated value
27a	Chippewa Flowage	Sawyer	See #27	See#27
The State is requesting additional funding to fully protect this 18,259-acre tract.				

Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry
Forest Legacy Program Contacts

The following pages contain contact information for Federal and State staff who are involved with the Forest Legacy Program in the 20 Northeastern and Midwestern States served by Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry (NA S&PF), a branch of the Forest Service. Included is the scope of responsibility of the NA S&PF staff in the implementation of the Forest Legacy Program.

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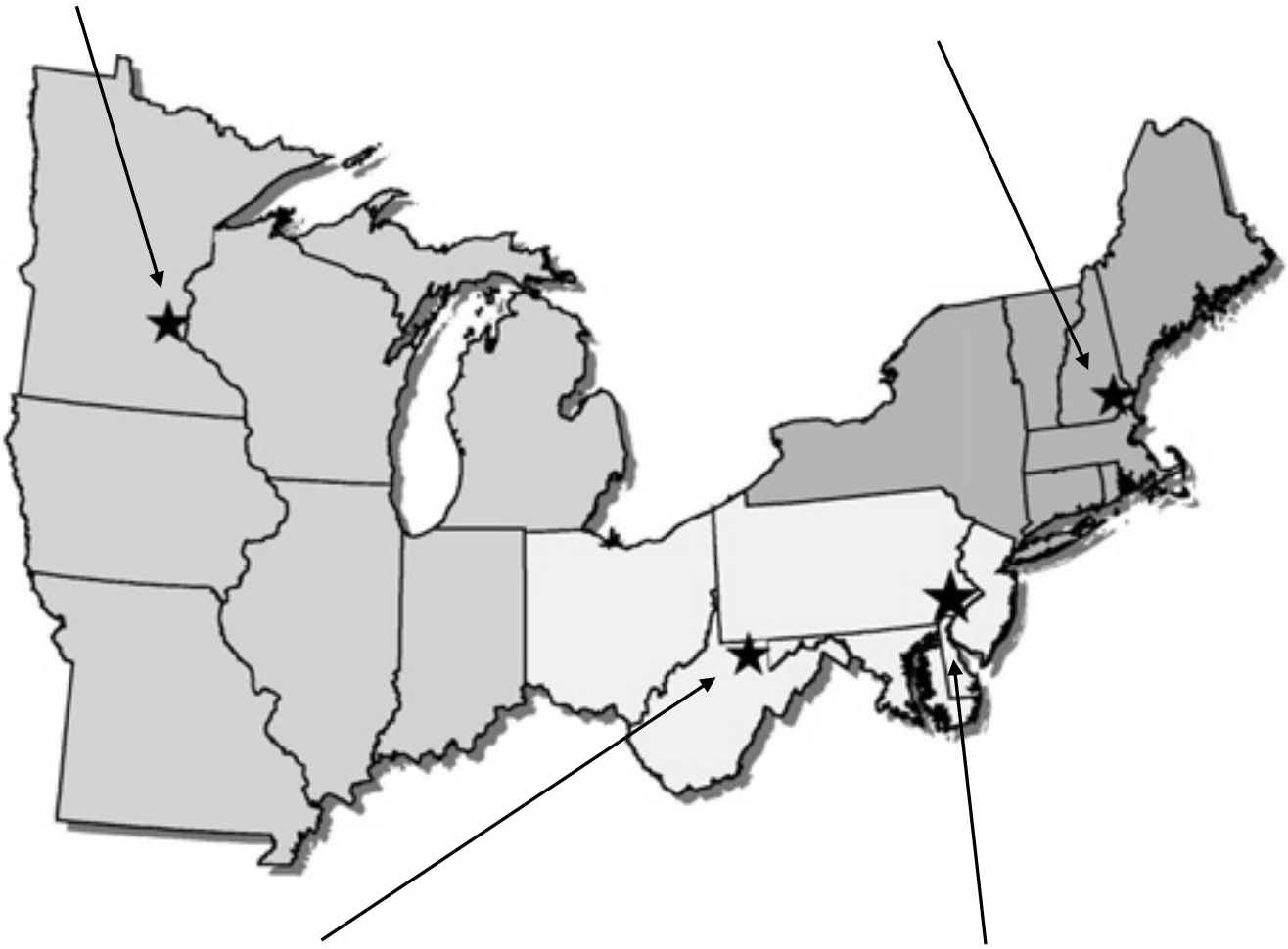

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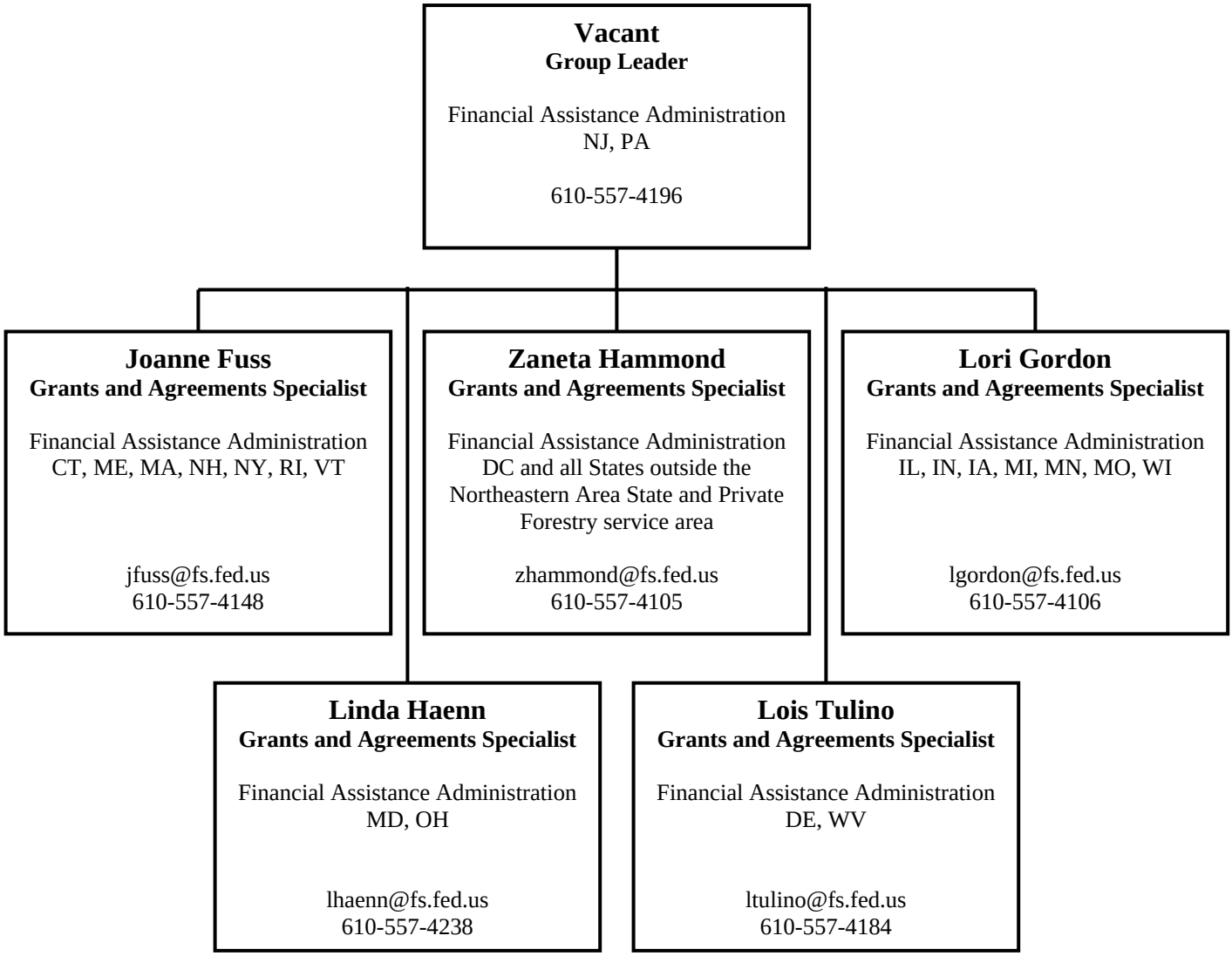
Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry
Grants and Agreements Management Staff



For more information on Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry Grants and Agreements Administration and Management: www.na.fs.fed.us/fap/.

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